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Gandhi comes back on 'charisma'

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — Former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi scored a stunning political comeback yesterday when the party that ousted her from power in 1977 conceded defeat in India's seventh general election.

Her Congress (I) Party was piling up an enormous lead, winning 284 of the first 319 seats declared so far after the voting last Thursday and Sunday for the 544-seat lower house of parliament.

The Janata Party, which defeated her in the 1977 elections following her controversial period of emergency rule, conceded with just over a quarter of the results in, having won only 12 seats at this stage.

The ruling Lok Dal (People's Party) of caretaker Prime Minister Charan Singh was even further behind, with just four seats.

Gandhi predicted that she would win more than 350 seats, which would give her a parliamentary majority of about two-thirds. Decisive figures were expected late last night.

Despite her big lead, the 62-year-old Gandhi made a point of remaining calm when she met reporters outside her house amid jubilant supporters who danced and brought her garlands of flowers.

"Neither the Janata Party nor anyone else can fool the people all the time. People woke to the mistake they made in 1977," she said.

The daughter of India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, Gandhi had waged a gruelling four-month election campaign in every corner of the world's biggest democracy, promising more law and order, more stable government and more effort to stem rising prices.



But the "Times of India" newspaper said her personality was the key to her remarkable comeback. "She is winning on the strength of her charisma," it said. "This is a personal triumph."

Gandhi was victorious in her own constituency with a thumping majority of more than 200,000 votes in southern Andhra Pradesh state. Here the Indira-Congress Party bagged 149 seats of the 196 seats.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said that so far Gandhi was doing even better than she had in the 1971 election when she swept to victory on the so-called "Indira wave." She was winning 51 per cent of the popular vote this time compared with 49 per cent in 1971, when she headed the undivided Congress Party.

In 1977 the Congress secured only 153 seats. It split two years ago, and Gandhi's Congress (I) was left with 80 seats when the lower house was dissolved last August.

Gandhi's defeat less than three years ago was attributed mainly to a programme of forced sterilization led by her son Sanjay and aimed at easing the problem of overpopulation in a country of 650 million people.

Security Council begins Afghan debate

UNITED NATIONS. — The UN Security Council late last night (10 p.m. Israel time) resumed debate on the Afghanistan question and was expected to vote on a resolution calling for the withdrawal from that country of "all foreign troops."

Four non-aligned states submitted the resolution to the council on Sunday night. Bangladesh, Niger, Zambia and the Philippines, the sponsors, also proposed that UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim report back in two weeks on progress made towards implementation of the resolution.

The text would have the council deeply deplore "the recent armed intervention in Afghanistan" as being inconsistent with a fundamental principle of the UN charter — the preservation of sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of every state.

The U.S. and Britain had been urging the sponsors to name the Russians, rather than mention only "foreign" troops, but were said to be ready to accept the formulation as there was no doubt of the nationality of the foreign forces in Afghanistan.

Diplomatic sources said the draft appeared certain to be vetoed by the Soviet Union, and that a move would then be made to transfer the issue to the General Assembly, where no nation has veto power.

The U.S. State Department said in Washington yesterday that the Soviet Union now has about 80,000 troops in and around Afghanistan, and the kind of equipment they are using indicates the troops are there to stay.

In a report on the situation, the department's spokesman said there were 50,000 to 60,000 troops in the country on Friday, and that another two divisions, amounting from 20,000 to 25,000 men, were either just north of the border inside the Soviet Union or were already moving into Afghanistan.

"From the extent and the nature of the equipment that the Soviets are using, there are indications that there is nothing expeditionary about the nature of this invasion," spokesman Hodding Carter said.

He added that there are signs the troops and their heavy equipment "are probably the core of a permanent force to be deployed in the future, and the Soviet role is likely to continue growing, replacing the Afghan army units until a more loyal force can be raised."

In Bonn, a government spokesman said that despite Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, the West German government remains committed to negotiating reductions in troops and missiles with Moscow.

Armin Gruenewald told reporters that the Western alliance stands by its offers to negotiate mutual troop cuts with the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact and reductions in medium-range nuclear missiles.

He declined to issue further statements on the Afghan situation pending consultations with NATO allies.

West Germany's ambassador to Moscow, Hans-Georg Wieck, was called back to Bonn last week for consultations in the wake of the invasion, it was announced yesterday.

Former British prime minister James Callaghan yesterday applauded President Jimmy Carter's initiatives against the Soviet Union, but warned the West not to foreclose "mutually advantageous agreements."

He also warned the West to be cautious and careful about arming Pakistan against the Soviet threat from Afghanistan, lest it antagonize India.

Zia Khan Nasri, chairman of the "Afghanistan, Islamic and nationalist revolution council" said yesterday he made the request in talks with presidential affairs minister Mansour Hassan.

Nasri, who will meet with Hassan again today, said he was confident the Egyptian government would meet his request.

Nasri claims 90,000 of his followers are fighting the Soviets in Afghanistan. He said he specifically requested Soviet arms from the Egyptians because his men "are used to them and can easily operate them." (Reuter, UPI, AP).

Army plans six-week basic studies course

20% of recruits are culturally deprived

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 20 per cent of each year's IDF male conscript intake are culturally underprivileged and pose serious placement and adjustment problems, said Tat-Aluf Avner Shalev of the IDF's National Defence College yesterday.

Speaking at a one-day symposium on the future of the university preparatory courses (*mechinot*), Shalev explained that he was referring to young men who had not successfully completed eight grades of school and whose Hebrew was too poor to allow them to be sent to professional courses during their national service.

Weizmann Institute physicist Prof. Haim Hadari, the new head of the Council for Higher Education's planning and budgets committee, told the hundred educators and academics who gathered in the Van Leer Jerusalem Foundation that less than 10,000 of Israel's 60,000 university students are of Sephardi origin.

But Hebrew University Prof. Yehuda Elkana pointed out that according to reliable estimates there are some 4,000 young men and women, mostly Sephardi, who are suitable for the *mechinot*, but have not reached the universities.

Haifa University Rector Professor Ozer Schild said that the major function of the *mechinot* was to help bridge the gap between Ashkenazim and Sephardim by facilitating the emergence of a highly-educated Sephardi elite.

Shalev said that some 25-30 per cent of the underprivileged male inductees he had mentioned entered combat units. But only a small proportion of them completed the full three years in combat duties, while most were moved to administrative jobs either within their original units, or in others. "But those who complete the full combat stint are, of the 20 per cent, the best prepared for a successful re-entry into civilian society," he said.

Shalev made it clear that there was disagreement among the army's top officers about the IDF's role in helping to educate underprivileged conscripts. Those who opposed such help claimed that, in the short term at least, it was at the expense of Israel's immediate security needs.

Until now, some 500-600 soldiers in the top stratum of this 20 per cent had gone, each year, at the end of their army stint to a three-month intensive basic education course, geared to bringing them up to the level of successful elementary school graduates.

These courses have had a 60-70 per cent success rate, said Shalev. "And several dozen of our graduates have gone on to complete the *bagrut* (matriculation) and take university degrees," he added.

Shalev said that this year the IDF will introduce a six-week basic education course for several hundred soldiers at the start of their service, just after basic training. In the past, such attempts have failed to produce the required results. But Shalev is hopeful that if the soldiers complete the course at the start of their service, they will be fit to attend professional courses in the army, and will thus be able to contribute more during their service.

Bank Leumi cuts prime interest rate by 5%

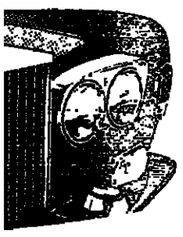
Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Bank Leumi announced last night it has cut the bank's prime rate of interest by 5 per cent, to 75 per cent, for loans to industry, agriculture and hotels primarily catering to foreign tourists.

"The move is primarily aimed at encouraging export-oriented businesses," said Zalman Segal, assistant to the chairman of the bank. "By cutting the prime rate we feel that our institution is falling in line with the Treasury's programme of reversing inflationary trends."

Until today, the prime rate of interest has been 80 per cent, and the borrower has been charged an additional 4 per cent commitment fee. The commitment fee will remain in force, as will the current interest rate for overdrafts in excess of agreed credit lines. Currently that rate is 45 per cent above the interest rate the borrower pays.

The exact total of outstanding loans that will be affected by the cut in interest rates could not be determined last night. But a total of approximately IL20b. in loans is outstanding to the three sectors from all of the nation's banks combined. Bank Leumi is said to hold the largest share.



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THE AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS to be taken up at boarding secondary schools and academic institutions, will take place TODAY, Tuesday, January 8, at 2 p.m. in the Federation Hall, Beit Hamercaz Hahaklai (16th floor), 8 Sderot Shaul Hamelech (near Beit Tnuat Hamoshavim), Tel Aviv.

Guest of honour:

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Speakers:
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Aharon Uzan, Chairman of the Sephardi Federation in Israel
Nahum Ganz, Secretary, Moshav Movement
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Weizman: Prefer U.S. to Russians in Egypt

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman said yesterday that American use of bases in Egypt would do Israel no harm at all and that therefore there is no cause for alarm in the reports that Egypt is already preparing an air base for the U.S. Air Force to use for strategic as well as tactical purposes.

Speaking in the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, Weizman said that in the long term Israel might be grateful that the Americans already had a military springboard in the immediate vicinity, in view of the uncertainty about future Soviet moves.

Weizman made his point clearer when he asked rhetorically: "What do you think we prefer? American use of airfields in Egypt, or the return to Egypt of the 20,000 Soviet military men who were there in 1970?"

The minister was plainly annoyed at the way the news about the U.S. use of bases in Egypt had been broadcast over Israel TV on Sunday night and accompanied by the reporter's interpretation that the defence establishment had been caught napping. Earlier yesterday, at Ben-Gurion Airport, when reporters asked Weizman for a comment about the TV report on the bases, Weizman used a coarse epithet to express his opinion about the reporter.

The members of the Knesset committee understood that the news about the bases had not caught the top echelons of the defence establishment by surprise at all — *though these had not briefed* spokesmen, since they did not anticipate the matter would get through to the press. A small, select sub-committee of the Knesset committee, from which leaks never emerge, was told about it last week.

It is assumed that one specific minister on the Ministerial Defence Committee who questions Weizman's grasp of security affairs, was responsible directly or indirectly for the information getting through to the TV reporter along with the interpretation.

Similar cases have occurred before of material tendentiously leaked out of the cabinet committee — for instance the fuss about alleged Egyptian cease-fire violations, both in the Sinai desert and at El-Arish airfield, which all proved vastly exaggerated. The source then was understood to be Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon.

In the committee yesterday, Weizman defended his praise of U.S. President Jimmy Carter, by stressing how much aid Carter gave Israel in the past, and how effective he had been in his peace mediation between Israel and Egypt. "Most American Jews are Carterophiles anyway," Weizman asserted.

Asked what prompted him to say Israel would give bases to the U.S., without even being asked, he replied. "When you stand in front of the TV cameras and the pressure is on, you say what I said."

Asked about Israeli expectations for greater U.S. aid, he replied: "The administration did not delude us at any time into believing we would get more."

Asked about his criticisms of Washington Ambassador Ephraim Evron, Weizman said, "I've got a lot on my chest in that regard but I'm keeping it to myself."

Ali says U.S. not using Egypt base

ASWAN (UPI). — Egyptian Defence Minister Gen. Kamal Hassan Ali yesterday denied an Israel Television report that Egypt already has granted the U.S. a major air base for use in connection with the Afghan and Iranian crises.

He said Egypt will provide nothing more than military facilities and only if the U.S. seeks them to help defend any Arab country at its request.

Such a situation has not arisen, he said, and the U.S. has not made any request for Egyptian facilities.

Ali spoke at Aswan airport minutes after the arrival of Prime Minister Menahem Begin for talks with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

HIRSH GOODMAN adds:

The Americans have been flying electronic intelligence-gathering aircraft from Egyptian territory. *The Jerusalem Post* has learned that the base which the Egyptians placed at U.S. disposal is in Upper Egypt.

The use of the base by the U.S. is the first overt U.S.-Egyptian military cooperation ever. It is believed that the decision to use Egypt rather than Cyprus or Turkey, was tactical and not political.

Until now, the Americans have used bases in Cyprus and Turkey for watching the Middle East. But since the focus of instability has been diverted from the northeast Mediterranean to the Persian Gulf, it was necessary to move to a new base of operations in Egypt.

Moslem riots in Gaza

GAZA (Itim). — Some 1,500 Moslems, apparently incited by local religious leaders, demonstrated last night, attacking local entertainment centres and chanting anti-communist slogans. The demonstrators were dispersed by security forces.

The riot was apparently a protest against the head of the Red Crescent, Dr. Haider Muhi a-Dahan Abdul Shaffi, seen as a PLO and communist leader. Recently, an opponent of Abdul Shaffi was dismissed from his post in the Red Crescent and this seems to have fanned resentment against Shaffi.

The IDF spokesman described *the riot as an internal matter of no* security significance.

Begin at opening of Aswan summit:

Israel, Egypt agree on Iran, Afghan crises

By DAVID LANDAU
and YAAKOV REUEL

ASWAN. — Israeli-Egyptian agreement on the issues involved in the Iranian and Afghan crises should serve as "a foundation of goodwill, cooperation and understanding on which we shall build in the future." This was the central message of Premier Menahem Begin's public remarks at a dinner here last night following the first working session of his summit with President Anwar Sadat.

"Thank God," said Begin, "Israel and Egypt are on the side of right, not wrong; justice, not its opposite; freedom, not slavery" in the face of these two setbacks for the West.

Begin said in his toast, "There has been an outburst of dark fanaticism and blind hatred which is incomprehensible. Time-honoured customs are being trampled, a great nation is being humiliated and great pains are being caused to millions who have no guilt as a result of these horrifying events."

But there was no indication from either Begin or Sadat, or their aides, that the shared outlook would express itself in specific operational terms in the immediate future.

On the bilateral issues between the two countries, it was Sadat who set the tone, in his after-dinner comments, when he said, "We have overcome in the past much more difficulty than we are facing now."

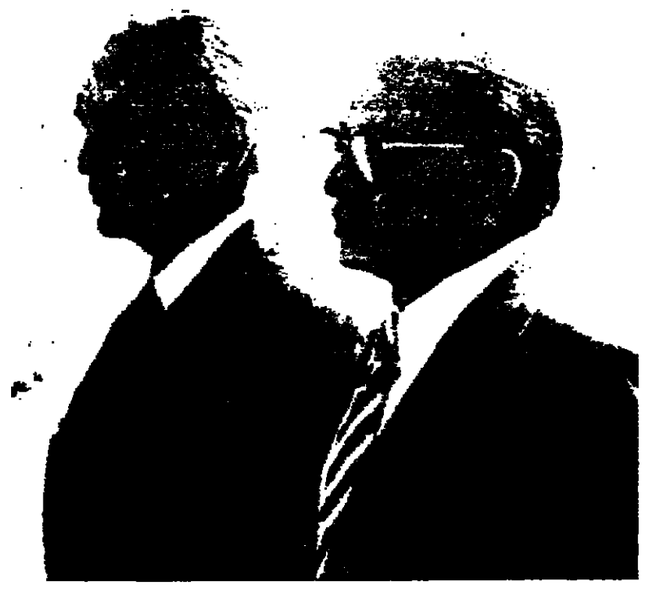
The two leaders seemed relaxed and at ease in each other's company during a dinner given by the Sadats for the Begins at the Israeli premier's hotel. They exchanged banter freely, and even at moments when the conversation stalled, there was none of the fidgety awkwardness between them that characterized their earlier encounters.

The strategic preoccupations came to the fore immediately upon Begin's arrival here, with Defence Minister Kamel Hassan Ali denying to newsmen at the airport an Israel Television report that the U.S. is putting up a military base in Egypt. (See separate story, this page.)

Defence Minister Ali and Acting Foreign Minister Butros Ghali had not been expected by the Israeli party to be in Aswan for the duration of the summit. They had both come here on Sunday to take part in a top-level strategic policy review with Sadat, Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and other high state and party officials. They were then asked by Sadat to stay on in order to be at hand for the talks with Begin.

Observers saw their presence here as underscoring the strategic dimension of these summit discussions.

At their 50-minute meeting yesterday, which Begin described as "a kind of tour d'horizon," the two leaders discussed regional and global developments and put off until today a detailed review of the outstanding bilateral questions: autonomy for the West Bank and Gaza Strip and normalization of relations between Egypt and Israel. But it seemed clear already that, when they do take up the bilateral matters, Begin and Sadat will seek to avoid confrontation and will resort once more to the device of "agreeing to disagree" on issues still in dispute.



Prime Minister Menahem Begin, flanked by Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil, at Aswan airport yesterday.
(UPI telephoto)

(Minister of State Ghali yesterday said that his country would not engage in full normalization of relations with Israel unless the negotiations for a West Bank and Gaza Strip autonomy were concluded successfully.

(In an interview with the French newspaper "Le Monde," Ghali said that Israel must withdraw its military government from the territories by next May — the target date set for the completion of the one-year-long autonomy negotiations.

(Ghali said that with the exchange of ambassadors between Egypt and Israel next month, Cairo will dispatch a small, five-man diplomatic mission to Tel Aviv.)

Sadat was pointedly positive in his references in the dinner address to the "progress that has been achieved ..."

"We both agreed that if anyone had told either of us three years ago that all this would be achieved today, neither I nor my dear friend Menahem Begin, the prime minister of Israel, could have believed it.

"Thanks to God and to the efforts and genuineness of such leaders as Menahem Begin and Jimmy Carter we have reached this point when we say: we have laid the cornerstone for a just and comprehensive settlement and for peace to prevail forever."

It would be only a matter of time, Sadat asserted, before others joined the peace process. "History never goes back."

Egyptian officials said U.S. Ambassador Alfred Atherton flew to Aswan during the morning to present a message from President Carter to Sadat. The contents of the note were not disclosed.

Israeli sources here predict that the summit will produce "neither breakdown nor breakthrough" on the bilateral issues. The normalization, they explain, is proceeding satisfactorily, albeit slowly for some Israeli tastes, while the deadline for the autonomy is still several months away and the U.S. administration is otherwise occupied.

Begin's press aide Dan Pattir said late last night that the premier had been "very happy with the common ground" reached at the evening discussion.

The tete-a-tete discussion was preceded by what was described as "a most cordial and emotional reunion" in the words of an Israeli aide, between the two families. Premier Begin and Mrs. Aliza Begin and President Sadat and Mrs. Jehan Sadat exchanged warm embraces, and the Begins bestowed bountiful kisses upon two little Sadat grandchildren, Sherif and Jehan. (The latter was born while her grandfather was in Jerusalem in November 1977.)

Mrs. Sadat told Mrs. Begin she was teaching the little ones to say "shalom" in Hebrew, while Mrs.

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BRUSSELS	0	32	4	39	rain
BUENOS AIRES	20	68	28	82	rainy
CHICAGO	-4	25	-2	29	snow
COPENHAGEN	-1	30	0	32	overcast
FRANKFURT	-5	41	17	34	rain
GENEVA	3	37	7	45	cloudy
HELSINKI	-3	23	-1	30	cloudy
HONG KONG	12	54	18	64	clear
JOHANNESBURG	13	55	24	75	cloudy
LISBON	7	45	13	55	cloudy
LONDON	5	41	7	45	clear
MADRID	2	36	5	41	cloudy
MONTREAL	-15	5	-10	14	clear
NEW YORK	-7	19	0	32	rain
OSLO	-5	23	-2	28	cloudy
PARIS	5	41	8	46	cloudy
RIO DE JANEIRO	15	59	23	21	clear
SAO PAULO	15	59	30	86	clear
STOCKHOLM	-3	27	-1	30	overcast
TOKYO	2	36	12	54	clear
TORONTO	-10	14	-3	27	cloudy
VANCOUVER	-5	23	1	34	snow
VIENNA	-9	16	-6	21	cloudy
ZURICH	-1	30	1	32	cloudy

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy, possibility of rain in north.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	52	2—10	11
Golan	70	5—9	11
Nahariya	55	7—16	17
Safad	80	2—7	8
Haifa Port	56	11—16	17
Tiberias	63	5—16	17
Nazareth	—	5—13	14
Afula	61	4—15	16
Samaria	62	5—12	13
Tel Aviv	57	9—16	17
B-G Airport	46	8—17	18
Jericho	55	7—19	20
Gaza	62	9—16	17
Beersheba	47	7—15	16
Eilat	24	6—21	22
Tira Straits	30	12—20	21

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Mihai Gere, Zanone Valerio and Colette Flesch, three members of the Rumanian parliament who came to Israel for the Mapam convention yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir.

WIZO-Israel's annual fund raising campaign was launched yesterday at the Prime Minister's Office in Jerusalem when Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin received its campaign patron and world Sephardi Federation President Nessim Gaon, of Geneva, and World WIZO President Raya Jaglom. Mrs. Jaglom later held a reception at her Tel Aviv residence in honour of guests attending the fund-raising dinner hosted by Gaon at the Laromme Hotel last night. Among Mrs. Jaglom's guests were Defence Minister Ezer Weizman Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i, members of the diplomatic corps and Knesset Members.

Haifa Mayor Arye Gurel will open the campaign for Haifa's WIZO branch today.

Tel Aviv police spouses were feted yesterday at Tel Aviv's WIZO House. The district inspector, Nitzav Moshe Tlomkin, attended the celebration, which was organized by Nitzav-Mishne Naomi Shedmi.

ARRIVALS

Moshe Zurman, arranger and conductor of "This is Israel," a musical theatrical presentation that toured the U.S., from the U.S.

Dov Joseph buried

Dr. Dov Joseph, a former justice minister who ran the austerity regime in the first years of Israel's *independence*, was buried yesterday in a state funeral in Jerusalem's Sanhedria cemetery. He died in Beersheba on Saturday night, aged 80.

In addition to relatives and friends, the funeral was attended by President Yitzhak Navon, Ministers Yosef Burg and Shmuel Tamir, Labour Party leader Shimon Peres and other present and past members of the Knesset.

The deceased was eulogized by Jewish Agency Chairman Arye Dulzin, who praised Joseph's "idealism and will-power." Yehuda Sha'ari spoke of the late minister's part in saving Jerusalem during the 1948 siege by the Arabs.

Kaddish was said by Joseph's son, Amiram, and wreathes from Navon, the government, and the Histadrut were placed on the grave.

In the Knesset, Joseph was eulogized at the opening of the session by Tamir and Peres. (Itim)

Day's road toll: 1 dead, 15 hurt

One person was killed and 15 injured in 10 road accidents in the 24-hour period which ended yesterday morning, police reported.

The fatal accident was in the South, where nine of the people were injured.

Landowners appealing Eilon Moreh delays

By IAN BLACK and DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporters

A Supreme Court justice this morning will hear the appeal of 18 Arab landowners from Nablus and the village of Rujeib for an order nisi calling on the government to explain why it has not yet removed Gush Emunim settlers from Eilon Moreh.

The landowners, represented by attorneys Elias Khoury and Amnon Zichroni, claim that the government is ignoring last October's ruling by the High Court of Justice that the settlement is illegal and that the settlers be moved from the site.

They also claim that the government has twice postponed the evacuation because of pressure from Gush Emunim and express fear that further postponement will allow the settlers to continue occupying the settlement illegally. They emphasize that following the court's decision the settlers can only be regarded as trespassers and that the government has an obligation to remove them. .

During preliminary cabinet discussions on postponing the evacuation of the site, Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir stressed that if the landowners returned to the High Court the state would find it very difficult to defend itself legally in the wake of the earlier ruling.

Shafir starts programme to upgrade police force

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Police Inspector-General Herzl Shafir, who took command last Wednesday, has initiated medium and long-term planning as his first major change in the operation of the police. The officers of the Civil Guard met yesterday in the first of several planned discussion groups designed to produce suggestions for medium and long-term goals.

In order to help the police with planning techniques, Shafir has named recently retired army officer Gabi Amir as a full-time police officer with the rank of deputy commander. He also has "borrowed" two other army officers, Gabi Nagel and Uri Rabinowitz. Nagel is currently an instructor at the National Defence College and Rabinowitz is deputy financial adviser to the chief of staff. Amir was head of the operations branch in the general staff.

In the face of the pervasive unrest rife among the police senior command, a senior Shafir aide yesterday categorically stated that there would be no radical personnel changes. He explained that in some cases officers who were due for retirement or were on special contract would leave as planned, "and even that wasn't definite yet." This did not rule out a certain rotation among officers, he added.

The planning process has been divided into three stages, and is to be based almost solely on the work of the police officers themselves. The army officers are present only to aid in regard to techniques, the aide said.

The first stage will be open discussions among all the officers of the various units both on a command and a professional basis. As such, officers could well participate in discussions involving both their geographical areas of operation as well as their professional area of responsibility, such as investigations.

The second stage will involve discussions at staff level at Police Headquarters in Jerusalem. This stage will prepare working papers, presenting the most feasible alternatives open to the police in each particular area.

The final stage will be a working paper representing the position of the inspector-general and the senior command.

The aide said one of Shafir's basic aims is raising the level of the police force above the general level of society. He termed this a prerequisite for public cooperation and confidence.

Government, Histadrut deadlocked on C-o-L, tax

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The government and the Histadrut last night failed to bridge their differences over the cost-of-living allowance and income tax brackets.

At the end of a two-hour meeting at Histadrut headquarters here, Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz insisted that the 25.9 per cent C-o-L increment be paid on no more than the first IL12,100 of salary. Histadrut Secretary-General Yeroham Meshel is equally adamant that it be paid on the first IL14,000 to IL15,000.

Hurvitz also rejected the Histadrut's demands that income tax brackets be fully adjusted to the C-o-L index four times a year, instead of twice yearly, as at present.

Meshel said wage earners should not find themselves in higher tax brackets just because they are being compensated for price rises, but Hurvitz countered that this is not the time for such a change.

Both agreed to meet again, and Hurvitz declined to speculate on the impact that last night's impasse may have on government-Histadrut relations.

Minutes after the meeting ended, Hurvitz denied a television report that he had threatened to resign.

The finance minister saw the telecast in the office of Histadrut spokesman Shmuel Soler.

Hurvitz volunteered no comments on the report. But in reply to a question, he denied that he had threatened to resign.

Child allowance cut to economic cabinet

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz, seeking to save some IL3.5b. from the state budget, today may ask the economic cabinet to cut allowances for children.

Hurvitz has been criticized by Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz on this issue. Katz argues it is wrong to cut subsidies on commodities, with promises to help the consumer, and then to cut the allowances, which have already lost value because of inflation and are how consumers are partially compensated for price increases resulting from subsidy cuts.

But Katz isn't on the economic cabinet, and he will have to rely on Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin to brake Hurvitz' efforts to cut child allowances by one-half for the first and second child, one-quarter for the third child, and to pay only full compensation for the fourth child or more.

Knesset sub-c'tee to study Tal plan

Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee has set up a special sub-committee to study the Tal programme to reorganize IDF land forces.

The programme was drawn up by Aluf Yisrael Tal, who returned to active service a few weeks ago to implement it. The plan envisages a land forces command headquarters to direct the forces in the field, and a separate framework to train them.

A former chief of staff, Mordechai Gur, has launched a public campaign against Tal's proposed reorganization scheme and against Tal's fitness to implement it.

The sub-committee, chaired by Moshe Arens, includes Yitzhak Rabin, another former chief of staff; Yehuda Ben-Meir; and Menahem Savidor.

Funds offered to J'lem half-way house

The Health Ministry plans to increase its contribution to the budget of Jerusalem's Moadon Shalom half-way house for mentally-disturbed patients if the institute sets up a new administration and gets ministry authorization for its budget in advance.

The ministry's agreement to the continued funding came after weeks of lobbying by patients, doctors and supporters of the half-way house. The institute faced closure because of financial difficulties.

The ministry set up a committee on December 30 to evaluate the activities of the half-way house, and the committee report released yesterday said that Moadon Shalom should allow all those who contribute to its budget to be represented in the administration.

Akim campaign

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Young people around the country will collect money tomorrow for Akim, the organization for the benefit of the retarded, the chairman of Akim, Yosef Zalmanov, told a press conference yesterday.

The campaign is aimed at providing support for families of retarded children, so that the children can stay at home rather than be shunted off into institutions.

Poetess Bat-Miriam dies at age 79

Israel Prize laureate poetess Yocheved Bat-Miriam died at the Tel Hashomer Sheba hospital yesterday at the age of 79.

She was born in Russia in 1901 and came to Palestine in 1928. But her first poems appeared in 1922 in "Hatkufa," a Hebrew literary magazine of the period. She published her poetry in volumes, and they regularly appeared in the "Davar" literary supplement. She was awarded the Israel Prize in 1972. (Itim)

Gaon deals with China

Jerusalem Post Staff

Nessim Gaon, the president of the World Sephardi Federation based in Switzerland, has recently visited Peking at the invitation of the Chinese, Israel TV reported last night.

Gaon told a TV reporter he had signed import and export deals with the Chinese, in addition to funding development projects in China to the sum of $100m.



Spectator uses binoculars to get a close-up view of the dais at Agudat Yisrael's Great Assembly at Jerusalem's Binyenei Ha'ooma. (Rahamim Israeli)

Scuffles, protests launch Aguda's Great Assembly

Agudat Yisrael's Great Assembly opened last night at the capital's Binyenei Ha'ooma with hundreds of delegates and thousands of guests from Israel and abroad, led by Aguda's Council of Torah Sages, crowding the hall. Several hundred party members who had not been invited stormed the doors outside, vianly trying to gain admission and scuffling with mounted police.

Deputy Premier Simha Ehrlich and other official guests were unable to make their way through the unruly crowd. Ehrlich finally told reporters he was leaving "because I just can't get in." *The Jerusalem Post* reporter was denied entry because she is a woman.

The confusion was made even worse when large groups of Bnei Akiva and Poalei Agudat Yisrael youth gathered outside the hall to shout their protests at a meeting by an "anti-Zionist" group who had gone to the extreme of failing to invite President Yitzhak Navon to the opening ceremony.

But inside, the Gerer rebbe, Reb Simcha Bonim Alter gave a ringing opening call to diaspora Jewry to immigrate to Israel. (Itim)

ISRAEL, EGYPT AGREE

(Continued from page 1)

Begin disclosed that she had brought them an illustrated Hebrew dictionary for a present. The Egyptian president assured Israel's premier that he was happy to see him feeling well and looking splendid.

When Mr. Begin introduced the director-general of his office, Dr. Eliahu Ben-Elissar, who is the ambassador-designate to Egypt, Sadat responded by saying he knew Ben-Elissar well and was looking forward to his advent.

At the dinner later, Begin proposed a toast to the health of President Sadat, "and to our gracious lady ... may I say our beautiful lady?"

"Be careful," Sadat warned him, to the raucous laughter of the guests.

Begin, accompanied by his wife Aliza and daughter Lea, was received with the customary pomp and circumstance — and a bouquets of flowers from two local children — at Aswan airport. Khalil led the welcoming party, and he and Begin slow-marched in step past the serried ranks of the honour guard.

The reception on the streets of Aswan itself, a small and sleepy town, was friendly if not exuberant. Curious onlookers smiled and waved as Begin's motorcade swept towards the Nile bank, whence they were ferried over to the Indian-style hotel on historic Elephantine Island.

The hotel had been packed with winter vacationers from Europe, but they were all transferred to less prestigious hostelries and the "Oberoi" was completely reserved for Begin and his party and accompanying newsmen. Khalil, Ali and Ghali, with their wives, are also staying at the Oberoi.

A lone Israeli flag flew atop the airport building, surrounded by a half dozen Egyptian flags.

No Israeli banners or pictures of Begin were in evidence along the route from the airport to the Oberoi Hotel.

Security is extremely tight, as is usual in Egypt on such occasions. Thousands of soldiers and police line the streets of Aswan and scores of plainclothesmen protect the hotel and its grounds from within and without.

One uniformed security man, riding a motorcycle, came to grief on the ride into town from the airport when his vehicle toppled over and he was thrown to the pavement. Defence Minister Ali stopped his car, got out, and ordered his aides to rush the man to hospital in his car.

On his departure, Begin reiterated that the U.S. had not yet made any request to use Israeli military facilities but said if such a request came, the premier would recommend that the government consider it favourably.

Begin said that Israel is not worried about reports that Egypt had made an airbase available to the Americans, and when asked whether Israel knew for certain whether the reports were true, Begin replied, "You can answer that for yourselves."

Begin said that for this, his ninth meeting with Sadat, no formal agenda had been established, but that he expects fruitful talks on the autonomy and Jerusalem issues, even though there may be differences of opinion between the two leaders.

Asked whether the problem of Jerusalem would be brought up the prime minister said:

"If President Sadat chooses to discuss it I will again state our position that Jerusalem is our eternal capital and indivisible."

Members of the diplomatic corps, top police officials and cabinet ministers were among the many officials who saw Begin off at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday morning.

Hadass to be No. 2 man in Cairo embassy

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ASWAN. — Yosef Hadass, head of the Foreign Ministry unit on normalization with Egypt, is almost certain to be appointed minister-counsellor at the Israel embassy in Cairo. Hadass, recently appointed assistant director-general of the Foreign Ministry, will be No. 2 man to the Ambassador-designate Eliahu Ben-Elissar. Ambassadors are due to be exchanged on February 26.

Zipori visits new air force bases in Negev

Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori yesterday visited the construction sites of the new air force bases in the Negev. The 'fast track' construction system that theoretically will save some 20 per cent in costs of building the $1.04b. bases was explained to him.

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Schools close early today as teachers begin sanctions

By ALAN ELSNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Association of Secondary School Teachers central council yesterday evening rejected appeals by Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer not to disrupt the education system and decided unanimously to join the Histadrut teachers union in sanctions this morning.

Elementary, junior high and secondary school pupils will be sent home at 11 a.m., two hours earlier than usual. Kindergartens will not be affected.

The two unions are demanding that the government implement all the clauses of the Etzioni report on the status and working conditions of teachers. The report's main recommendation urged that teachers receive substantial wage increases, bringing their pay into line with other professional groups. According to the report, teachers' wages lag behind those of engineers working for the state, whose salaries they are linked to in the teachers' work agreement, by some 65 per cent.

Today's sanctions are seen as the first step in a series of measures the teachers intend to take. Teaching will be disrupted by mass meetings of teachers during school hours, tomorrow and Thursday.

From next Sunday, if no government concessions are forthcoming both unions intend to strike all the schools in selected towns each day.

Yesterday afternoon, the Jerusalem Labour Court refused to grant the government an injunction to prevent the teachers from striking.

Justice Moshe Negbi postponed a decision on the matter until Thursday, but appealed to the teachers not to take action.

In the evening, Hammer and Hurvitz appear before the Association of Secondary School Teachers at Tel Aviv's Gymnasia Herzliya to try to persuade them to call off the sanctions. "I warn you now that I won't give in to your demands," Hurvitz shouted above the heckling of angry teachers. "I won't let myself be pushed the way (former Finance Minister Simha) Ehrlich was pushed. You simply do not understand the gravity of the country's position. If I give in to you, I will have to give in to everybody," he said.

'Jesus Christ victim of Israeli aggression'

LONDON (Reuter). — Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi said yesterday that Jesus Christ was a victim of Israeli aggression.

In a message to the presidents of Christian states to mark Eastern Orthodox celebrations of Christmas, the Libyan leader suggested their support for Israel was contradictory.

"Is not your governments' support for Israeli killers a contradiction to your faith in Christ?" he asked.

Flash floods kill 1, another missing

OFAKIM (Itim). — Two school teachers from this Negev development town were swept away in a flash flood on Sunday as they were driving on a road inundated by the rushing waters of Nahal Besor. One of the teachers, Lea Deitch, 28, who is a mother of five, was drowned. The other, Frieda Klein, 23, is still missing.

Deitch's body was recovered yesterday morning by searchers.

The two set out from Ofakim at around 3 p.m. Sunday on their way to a Judaic studies workshop at Moshav Talmi Eliahu. It is believed that when they got to a bridge passing over the river, Klein, who was driving, was apparently unable to control the car in the rushing water. The Renault 5 was found some 500 metres downstream from the bridge yesterday morning.

Investigators believe that the two women tried to get out of the car and were swept away in the water. The search includes dozens of policemen, border patrolmen and yeshiva students from Ofakim. The search for Klein will continue today.

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By SHLOMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

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Only 3.5% economic growth seen

By SHLOMO MAOZ
Post Economic Reporter

Economic growth will drop this year to 3.5 per cent, compared to 5 per cent in 1979, according to the forecast of the Industry, Trade and Tourism Ministry.

Minister Gideon Patt delivered the statistics at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday, stressing that the slowdown will hit economic activities. The government will have to initiate a wage reform which will set salaries according to the worker's productivity. Equality in wages is a lie the economy can no longer afford, Patt said.

Despite the drop in real wages expected in the next few months, Patt does not expect the economy to be shaken by strikes; on the contrary, he expects industrial quiet.

His ministry has issued some forecasts which are acceptable to the Finance Ministry and have been submitted to the economic cabinet. They indicate a freeze in personal consumption, compared to a rise of 4 or 5 per cent last year and a freeze in personal income, after a rise of 2 per cent last year.

Public consumption will rise only 1.5 per cent this year, compared to 2 per cent last year. Patt pins his hopes on exports, which are to increase by 5.2 per cent this year, compared to a 4.3 increase in 1979, at current prices. This includes diamond and agricultural exports.

At that rate, exports will reach $9.2b., compared to $7.3b. in 1979. Despite the rise in exports, the trade deficit will increase to $4b. from $3b. in 1979.

Patt attacked those responsible for handling Israel's request for U.S. aid. First of all, Israel should not have asked for $3.45b. Secondly, the negotiations should have been on the ministerial level, and not between ministry officials, however qualified they might be.

He said the $200m. loan at 9 per cent interest which the U.S. has granted should by no means be shrugged off. He noted that income from the Israel bonds is about the same figure: $250m.

Patt shocked the journalists when he said that a year ago he had suggested a 100 per cent levy on non-basic imports, for a year. That would have increased revenue while significantly reducing imports.

But at the time, the governor of the Bank of Israel, Arnon Gafny, opposed the move because of limits set by the International Monetary Fund, and the Treasury was not overly enthusiastic.

The result was the import "deposit" of only 10 per cent which was levied two months ago, effective for six months. But Patt said he would ask for an increase in the levy as soon as the first six-month period is up.

Patt also said he had received complaints from the U.S. and Britain on the instructions from Israel that Hebrew labels must be on all goods destined for the Israeli market.

Patt attacked the Histadrut, calling it hypocritical for quitting the public price committee. While Nuzhat Katzav, chairman of the Histadrut Central Consumer Authority, demands more supervision of prices, Histadrut enterprises demand price hikes to cover their more costly inputs, he said.

The ministry is intensifying the development of the hotel industry, especially in Jerusalem and Eilat. Jerusalem is still the bottleneck, Patt said: 98 per cent of all tourists spend at least three days in the capital.

Charter flights brought 160,000 tourists last year, compared to 2,600 in 1976, he added.

Other tourism figures were released yesterday. The total number of tourists in 1979 was 1,138,000, a rise of 6 per cent over 1978. In the last decade, nearly eight million people visited Israel.



Ethiopian Bishop Pappas (left) presides over Christmas services for Jerusalem's small Ethiopian Christian community yesterday. The Ethiopians held their Christmas mass on the roof of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. (Richard Nowitz)

News staff to train for Moscow Olympics

TV and radio staffers who will be sent to cover the Moscow Olympics will next week start a twice-weekly six-month course in Russian.

The journalists will prepare for the games by taking part in a special course run by employees of Kol Yisrael's Russian-language department.



Ginsburg calls for Olympics boycott

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Dissident Alexander Ginsburg, imprisoned three times by Soviet authorities, has called on the West to boycott the Moscow Olympic Games.

Ginsburg said in an interview with the "Sunday Telegraph" that the Olympic rings (the symbol of the international games) were "handcuffs" as far as he was concerned. Democratic countries should have nothing to do with them, he said.

Now on his first trip to London, Ginsburg met last week with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Ginsburg said the West should encourage its envoys to seek broader contacts with the Soviet people, and not just with officials.

It should also "stop selling the Soviet government the technology that they use to oppress their internal opponents and invade foreign countries," and increase radio broadcasts to the Soviet bloc, he declared.

Bill would put abortion clause back in

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Reporter

Two Labour MKs have tabled a private members bill to put back into the Abortions Law the clause permitting abortions on social grounds. The clause was revoked some weeks ago by the coalition, under the terms of its agreement with Agudat Yisrael.

The bill, tabled by Shoshana Arbeli and Michael Harish, uses exactly the same wording as that in the expunged clause. It says that the statutory panels may approve abortions "when the continuation of pregnancy is likely to cause serious harm to the woman or her children, because of the difficult family or social circumstances of the woman and of her milieu."

Arbeli and Harish write in their explanation to the private bill that since the Knesset amended the bill, considerable ferment has occurred among the public. "In order to avoid legislation which the public cannot abide by, and which will transform citizens into criminals against their will, it is hereby proposed to add the missing clause to the law," they wrote.

Earth opens up near Damascus Gate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Not to be outdone by Moshav Azarya, where a giant pit recently opened in the earth, Jerusalem now has its own mysterious hole.

Yesterday morning, passersby discovered a seven-metre-diameter, six-metre-deep hole at the corner of Rehov Hanevi'im opposite the Damascus Gate.

The municipality sent geologists to investigate and fenced in the area to prevent accidents. There is still no explanation for the occurrence, but there is a possibility of some connection with the IL50m. renovation work being conducted by the city at the gate. A municipal spokesman said last night that the hole showed signs of expanding.

JEWISH ART. — The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Education Ministry and Israel Museum are founding a public Jewish Art Society. The first meeting, open to the public, is at 4 p.m. today in the Israel Museum.

United kibbutz group plans 13 settlements

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOT YA'AKOV. — The first joint meeting of the Ihud Hakvutzot Vehakibbutzim and Kibbutz Meuhad central committees yesterday outlined a plan to establish 12 or 13 new settlements on the Golan Heights, in the Galilee, the Arava and the Negev.

Yesterday's meeting followed the decision, last year, to unite the two kibbutz movements.

The joint meeting also decided that the movement's two settlements in the Rafiah Approaches, Sufa and Holit, will be transferred to new sites in Pit'hat Shalom.

Sit-in protest at E. J'lem Electric Co.

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Several hundred demonstrators crowded into the offices of the East Jerusalem Electric Company yesterday to protest last week's government decision to assume control of its power concession from January 1981.

People from throughout the West Bank and East Jerusalem spent the day in a sit-down protest, singing nationalist songs and chanting slogans.

Representatives of most West Bank municipalities turned up throughout the day, but only a few small towns, and Jericho, were represented by their mayors. Military government sources said that those mayors "not directly concerned with the company" had been prevented from attending.

Students from the universities of Bir Zeit and Bethlehem added their voices to the chorus of protest. But the Bir Zeit students were delayed by security forces in Ramallah for over an hour before being allowed to proceed to Jerusalem.

Messages of solidarity from various bodies were read to the demonstrators, and a strong statement was issued "deploring the Zionist conspiracy to take our company." Support was expressed for the Palestine Liberation Organization and there was a call for solidarity with Arab prisoners in Israeli jails.

Informed sources in East Jerusalem told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that there was "little chance" that the company's management would apply to the High Court against the government's decision. The grounds for the board's hesitation, the sources said, are that the company does not have a strong legal case for opposing the take-over, and the belief that the High Court would not prove sympathetic.

Protests against the withdrawal of the company's concession are expected to continue for the next few days, and activists are planning a sit-in during the Friday prayers at the Al-Aqsa Mosque. There has also been talk of a general strike throughout the West Bank next Monday.

Anwar Nusseibeh, board chairman, is believed to have reported to the U.S. consul in Jerusalem on the situation at the company, and the Jordanian government reportedly has promised to maintain its support for the company in the future. This was clarified at meetings in Amman this week between a company representative and Jordanian official.

Court says no to 'Palestine Press'

By IAN BLACK
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem District Court yesterday upheld the refusal of the authorities to register an East Jerusalem firm under the name of "Palestine Press Services." The court held that the name would "hurt the feelings" of the Israeli public.

Judge Moshe Cohen rejected the argument of attorney Yossi Arnon that Raymonda Tawil and Ibrahim Kar'aeen, the proprietors of the enterprise, were entitled to use the name because the term "Palestinian" was included in the Camp David accords.

But he also dismissed the opinion of the Registrar of Companies that the name "Palestine Press Services" had been chosen "for improper reasons." The firm's owners plan to appeal yesterday's decision to the Supreme Court.

The firm is an independent news organization with offices on East Jerusalem's Salah a-Din Street. The name "Palestine Press Services" has long been displayed on a sign outside its premises. Its activities include translations from Hebrew into Arabic.

Kar'aeen told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that he and Tawil were "upset, but not surprised" by the court ruling. "It makes nonsense of all the talk of peace between Israelis and Palestinians," he said. "How can there be peace if they don't even recognize our name?"

Shalom of Safed's art works stolen

SAFAD (Itim). — Paintings by Shalom (the Zeigermacher) Moscovitz, worth millions of pounds, were stolen from his home while he was in the hospital here with his wife at his side.

Moscovitz, Israel's leading naive painter, died last Thursday.

Burglars broke into Shalom's home via a chimney on the second floor and stole several paintings on biblical themes. Shalom's usual subjects.

Police fear the works may have been smuggled abroad and they have informed Interpol. They have also held three suspects who deny any connection with the theft. Local galleries have been searched and some gallery owners may, sources say, be asked to take lie-detector tests.

Baby beaten up by 3-year-old

A three-year-old boy severely beat an eight-month-old baby boy in Jerusalem Sunday night. The baby was rushed to Shaare Zedek Hospital with injuries to his head and body.

The infant was left by his parents in a neighbour's flat on Sunday night while the parents went out. The baby was put to sleep in the three-year-old's bedroom, and in the middle of the night the older child began beating the infant with a metal kettle. Only the baby's screaming woke the three-year-old's grandfather, who pulled his grandson off the baby and called an ambulance.

Police said that on being called to the hospital, they thought the child was the victim of a parent's beating. No formal complaint was filed, they said, adding that when the formal paperwork is completed, the case will be considered closed. (Itim)

Pre-school congress opens in Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The first International Congress for Early Childhood Education opened yesterday in Tel Aviv with more than 100 people attending from 20 foreign countries and more than 300 Israeli participants.

The congress, officially hosted by Education Minister Zevulun Hammer, was opened by President Yitzhak Navon's wife Ofira. The congress is being held to mark the 80th anniversary of the first Hebrew kindergarten, and to end International Year of the Child activities in Israel.

3 convicted in revenge bombing case

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Three men were convicted yesterday by a Tel Aviv District Court of conspiring to plant an explosive device that partially destroyed a Rishon Lezion police officer's apartment.

Meir Marciano and Ya'acov Anunu of Rishon Lezion were also convicted of attempted murder, but Arie Katalan of Bat Yam was declared innocent of the attempted murder charge.

The explosion, which occurred last January, did not kill or injure anybody in the apartment building. Prosecuting attorneys argued that the explosion was revenge by the three for the officer's activities against a gang to which they belonged.

HASHISH. — Some three kilos of hashish, wrapped in heavy plastic bags, floated ashore near Ashkelon early yesterday morning and a routine IDF beach patrol handed the apparently high-quality cannabis resin over to police.

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2,300,000 Ordinary Shares of IL20 par value each, at issue price of IL106 per Share

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Copies of the Prospectus may be obtained at any branch of Israel Discount Bank Limited or through other banks or securities brokers who are members of the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange.

A copy of the Prospectus and a copy of the permit for its publication have been submitted to the Registrar of Companies, Jerusalem.

January 8, 1980

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Soviets hold major Afghani towns

KABUL (UPI). — Soviet forces are in control of all major cities and highways in Afghanistan, although Moslem guerrillas are still able to mount hit-and-run attacks by night, Western diplomatic sources said yesterday.

Diplomats said that the estimated 50,000 Soviet troops, using helicopter gunships and light armoured personnel carriers, are concentrating their offensive on the mountainous provinces of Badakshan and Paktia on the Pakistani border, where they are meeting only isolated resistance.

"There is no question of Moslem rebels, or even defecting Afghan troops, holding towns against Soviet armour," a diplomat said. "A Soviet commander has only to give the command and a town is taken."

This conflicted with earlier reports that rebels and defecting government troops were holding out against a ring of Soviet armour in Herat on the Iranian border and were putting up stiff resistance in the southern provincial town of Kandahar.

Despite the rapidity and smoothness of the operation, political observers said that a swift Soviet withdrawal, as promised by Moscow, is unlikely. "That would look like they were bowing to international pressure, and the Soviets don't do that," a diplomat said.

(Exiled Afghan rebel leaders said Russian troop strength in Afghanistan was approaching 80,000, with more soldiers pouring into the country every day. They called their country "another Kampuchea," accusing Soviet troops of slaughtering hundreds of innocent Moslems in Afghanistan in mass reprisal attacks against insurgent forces.)

Analysts discounted reports that winter snows are hampering operations in the Hindu Kush mountains, where Soviet forces are reliably reported to be using napalm against rebel strongholds. "If the Russians don't have the equipment and experience to fight in the snow, who does?" one source said.

The 320-km highway from the Pakistani border town of Torkham to the Afghani capital appears safe from rebel attack by day, but travellers who spent Saturday night in the provincial capital of Jelalabad reported hearing fighting outside the town, with light and heavy machinegun fire and helicopters in the early hours of Sunday.

Analysts in Kabul confirmed that the guerrillas are continuing to harass the Soviet forces with small-scale attacks under cover of darkness.

An 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. curfew remains in force and Western embassies in Kabul are advising their nationals to keep off the streets after 6 p.m.

The capital itself has been quiet since last Monday, with shops, cafes and markets doing business as usual, but with Soviet forces guarding the prime minister's building, the Interior Ministry, the TV and radio compound, the central post office and some key intersections in the centre of the city.



Members of a group that occupied the Afghanistan embassy in Teheran leave the building after a five-hour sit-in on Sunday to protest Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. (UPI telephoto)

Brown and Chinese agree

PEKING (Reuter). — U.S. Defence Secretary Harold Brown had seven hours of talks with Chinese officials yesterday, concentrating on the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan and its implications for Asia and the world, U.S. officials said.

The officials said both sides agreed that the situation in Afghanistnan had revealed something of Moscow's wider world ambitions.

Brown and the Chinese discussed what could be done for Afghanistan's neighbour, Pakistan, and for Southwest Asia generally, according to the sources. They said more concrete details on this would be worked out in the next two days.

Other subjects discussed included Indo-China and bilateral issues.

Brown, who arrived in Peking on Saturday, spent most of his time yesterday with Chinese Vice-Premier Geng Biao, who is also general secretary of the Communist Party's military commission. The defence secretary lunched with Foreign Minister Huang Hua, and is scheduled to meet senior Vice-Premier Deng Xiaoping today and Chairman Hua Guofeng tomorrow.

Canberra, Tokyo plan anti-Soviet steps

TOKYO (Reuter). — Japan and Australia are considering taking economic measures against the Soviet Union's intervention in Afghanistan, with Tokyo reportedly studying restricting high technology exports to Moscow, and Canberra considering banning grain sales.

Australia has contracted to export 3.5 million tons of wheat to the Soviet Union this year. But U.S. President Jimmy Carter has asked Canberra not to make up the shortfall caused by his decision to halt the sale of 17 million tons to the Soviets.

In Tokyo, major Japanese newspapers reported that Japan is studying possible measures to protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, including the restriction of exports of computers and other high technology equipment.

President Suharto of Indonesia told Parliament that the Soviet intervention had shaken the foundations of world peace. In Alexandria, Egypt, about 2,000 demonstrating students called on the Egyptian government to provide Afghan rebels with weapons and arms.

Key Khomeini official defects to Kurdish rebels

TEHERAN. — Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's chief representative in the tense Kurdistan province has quit and joined Kurdish rebels demanding the central government pull its forces out of Sanandaj, the provincial capital, the "Teheran Times" reported yesterday.

Hossein Shahvessi, Kurdistan's governor-general resigned after the Khomeini regime refused to honour his pledge to the rebels that the government's revolutionary guard would be withdrawn from the city, the English-language newspaper said.

It said Shahvessi joined Kurdish rebels taking part in a six-day-old sit-in to protest the government's refusal to withdraw the militiamen. Residents of a half-dozen other Kurdish towns demonstrated on Sunday in support of the Sanandaj sit-in, the paper said.

And Teheran radio said 43 persons were killed and 110 injured on Sunday in the second day of clashes between Sunni and Shi'ite Moslems in the Persian Gulf port of Bandar Langeh, about 930 km south of Teheran. A government official said the fighting started when the city's Shi'ites became enraged by a comment made by a Sunni clergyman. He did not elaborate. Khomeini's Shi'ites are the dominant Moslems in Iran.

In Tabriz, tens of thousands of demonstrators filled the streets yesterday, setting fire to a revolutionary headquarters.

The Azerbijanis support Khomeini's chief religious rival Ayatollah Mohammed Kazem Shariat-Madari. Tabriz, capital of East Azerbaijan province, is just north of Kurdistan in northwestern Iran. One person was killed and more than 150 others injured in weekend clashes there between supporters of the rival Ayatollahs.

New violence was also reported in Baluchistan-Sistan province where a number of people were killed last month as some residents demanded the withdrawal of the revolutionary guard.

Two revolutionary guardsmen were killed when insurgents ambushed a guard unit on a highway 200 km south of the provincial capital of Zahedan, the official Pars news agency said. Four insurgents were killed in the attack, Pars said.

As the UN deadline for a final decision on economic sanctions against Iran passed yesterday the 50 Americans being held hostage at the U.S. Embassy spent their 65th day in captivity.

Meanwhile, the Iranian Ministry of Guidance said it was considering the expulsion of representatives of the mass media of the U.S., Britian and West Germany in retaliation for their coverage of the crisis between Iran and America.

Foreign press chief Abolghassem Sadegh told the state-run radio that the government of Iran objected to the whole "system, not individuals."

The UN Security Council was scheduled to meet late last night to hear Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's report on his trip to Iran, but the U.S. indicated it would not accept the "package deal" Waldheim had offered that would link the release of the hostages to UN sponsored investigations about the shah.

A spokesmen for the militants holding the American embassy said they too rejected the proposal. (AP, UPI)

Iran plotted Aswan attack

CAIRO (Reuter). — An Iranian accused of plotting a terror campaign in Cairo has said that Iranian authorities sent him to sabotage the normalization of relations between Egypt and Israel.

Fallahuddin Mohammed Jutshan said in a televised statement on Sunday that he was recruited by religious officials close to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Jutshan said his mission was to set off six large fires in Cairo and to attack other Egyptian cities including Aswan where Premier Menahem Begin is now meeting Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

But he did not disclose whether the Aswan raid was timed to coincide with the Begin visit.

Jutshan said he worked for the "Fedayan Islam Organization" headed by roving Iranian Islamic Judge Sadegh Khalkhali.

Kenyans held in Adamson murder

NAIROBI (Reuter). — Naturalist and author Joy Adamson was murdered and three of her former employees, all Kenyans, are being questioned, Kenyan police said yesterday.

Adamson, 69, was first reported to have been killed by a lion on Thursday night at a remote bush camp in the Shaba game reserve. But Ellis Monks, executive director of the World Wildlife Fund and an associate of Adamson, said a post-mortem examination carried out in Nairobi last Saturday showed conclusively that she was not killed by a lion.

The body had wounds on the shoulders and sides but there were no claw wounds, he added.

Adamson gained fame with three books about a lioness given the name Elsa which she and her husband raised from a cub and finally returned to the wild.

The first of the books, "Born Free," was made into a film.

MARTIN. — Prof. Eric Martin, a former president of the International Red Cross Committee, died in Geneva on Sunday at the age of 79, his family announced yesterday.

3000 Pupils to Participate in "Chinuch Atzmai Day"

Agudat Israel World Congress in Jerusalem

In the framework of the Sixth Knesiya Gedola (Agudat Israel World Congress), there will be a Chinuch Atzmai Day tomorrow, Wednesday (9/1/80), to mark the organization's great educational enterprise.

Gathering in Jerusalem will be 3000 seventh and eighth grade pupils to participate in the events to be held at Binyenei Ha'ooma. They will listen to Tora lectures by eminent scholars and heads of the Chinuch Atzmai in Israel.

Present at the convocation will be delegates to the Aguda congress, which will serve as an opportunity for them to witness at first hand the great educational enterprise instituted by Agudat Israel here and abroad.

Pupils by the Tens of Thousands — Hundreds of Schools and Kindergartens

The Chinuch Atzmai (Tora Schools For Israel) constitutes the largest and most comprehensive education network in the country. It contains well-nigh 200 kindergartens and creches, and some 200 schools. These are scattered throughout 53 towns and villages, and are divided into separate institutions for boys and girls, the latter category known as the Beit Yaakov schools.

The number of pupils, all told, in these schools comes to more than 30,000, and may be found throughout the country, from the north to the far Negev, from Kiryat Shmona to Dimona.

A Tora Oriented Approach

The network differs from all other schools in the country, in its special Tora oriented approach, in its goals and study content.

This orientation expressed itself in the boys' schools through its stress on Tora studies, and in particular, Talmud studies, meant to prepare the child for the continuation of his studies in a Yeshiva framework, upon completion of his elementary schooling.

In order to attain this goal, the Chinuch Atzmai Centre operates a ramified programme of supplementary educational aids such as: a sizable increment of Tora study hours, over and above what has been authorized by the Ministry of Education and Culture. The outlay for this programme comes from the contributions of Chinuch Atzmai supporters both here and abroad, and is funnelled through the Tora Education Fund. This is the Chinuch Atzmai monetary instrument and is meant to provide funds not covered in the government budget.

Amongst these outlays are funds meant to bring the salaries of teacher Tora scholars up to par with those of teachers with academic degrees, and for preparing the former in the spheres of pedagogy and didactic methods. The idea is that these teachers serve as a model to their pupils, in accordance with the Rabbinic dictum: "If the teacher is comparable to the Angel of the Lord, let him be your source of Tora learning."

The Chinuch Atzmai also arranges for evening yeshivot for school pupils. In these yeshivot, attached to the school framework, thousands of pupils study during the evening hours thus keeping them from idleness and within a useful educational framework. It also operates first grade preparatory classes, preparing pupils for first grade studies.



Meeting of the Directorate of Chinuch Atzmai, under the chairmanship of the Revered Rabbi Eliezer Shach, Head of the Ponivetz Yeshiva.

Torah Education in Israel Fund
Provides the monetary support for Chinuch Atzmai independent educational activities

Proposed Budget for the Tora Education Fund activities for the year 5740.

Added Tora study hours and educational activities	
Long study day, added Tora study hours, special education, clubs, evening yeshivot, preparatory studies, summer programmes, school maintenance and other educational work.	20,000,000
Teacher preparation and advanced studies	4,000,000
Pupil guidance toward yeshiva studies	2,500,000
Structures	
Basic renovations and school building construction not funded by government	6,000,000
Special Education	2,000,000
Pupil transportation financed by Chinuch Atzmai	10,000,000
Share in partial debt coverage for kindergartens	4,000,000
Financing of specific educational projects run by Chinuch Atzmai, as expressed in conditional Chinuch Atzmai outlay within Education Ministry budget	8,000,000
Supervision, comptrolling and administration	4,000,000
	60,500,000

Agudat Israel Kindergarten Network Budget for 5740 School Year

Income	
From Ministry of Education:	
1. Teacher salaries and participation in kindergarten teachers and helpers salaries	36,500,000
2. Clubs and welfare kindergartens	3,500,000
3. Rhythmics and miscellaneous	1,000,000
Local Authorities share	1,000,000
Tuition from parents	7,000,000
Chinuch Atzmai share	4,000,000
	53,000,000
Expenditure	
Kindergarten teachers and assistants salaries	57,000,000
Administration and supervision	3,000,000
Equipment and rent	2,500,000
Kindergarten renovations and maintenance	2,000,000
Club and welfare kindergartens	5,250,000
Current and office expenditure	1,250,000
	71,000,000
Total expenditure	71,000,000
Total income	53,000,000
Surplus of expenditure over income	IL18,000,000

Beit Yaakov Educational Framework

Parallel with the boys' schools, Chinuch Atzmai maintains a separate girls' elementary school framework, known as the Beit Yaakov schools, which has registered extraordinary success in its educational work.

The women teaching staffs, themselves products of the Beit Yaakov system, inculcate in their pupils a love of Tora and of those who devote their lives to its study. This study and these individuals are held up as paragons to be emulated, and the girls are taught to strive to build Tora centered homes and to seek Tora scholars as future mates. Beit Yaakov educates toward modesty in dress, life style and deportment.

Housing Problems

Some of the Chinuch Atzmai schools find themselves hard pressed for accommodation. Solutions to this problem have been thrust upon Chinuch Atzmai, until such time as the Local Authorities come up with new housing construction. In other instances, the Chinuch Atzmai has been compelled to establish new schools, to acquire proper housing for them and to provide teacher salaries, maintenance funds and the like, until these schools receive the requisite authorization making them eligible for the Education Ministry budget.

At the helm of this setup are eminent Tora scholars and communal and educational personalities and community figures, who bear the brunt of the responsibility and supervise everything being done.

Eminent Tora Authorities on Chinuch Atzmai Activities

In a call issued by eminent Tora authorities for the public's assistance it was stated, inter alia, that "were it not for Chinuch Atzmai, there would be no future for observant Jewry, and the yeshivot, G-d forbid. For it is axiomatic that the greater portion of yeshiva students are products of the Chinuch Atzmai framework, a framework which has also been privileged to nurture generations of mothers loyal to Tora and mitzvot, the very foundation of the abiding spirit of the Jewish home."

Chinuch Atzmai day will serve as a good opportunity to get to know at first hand the great educational enterprise founded by Agudat Israel 27 years ago.

(Communicated)

Death toll in Ulster conflict reaches 2,001

BELFAST (AP). — The 10-year death toll in the Northern Ireland sectarian conflict passed the 2,000 mark on Sunday night when three militiamen were killed by a mine which blew up their land-rover.

The fatalities were the 1,999th, 2,000th and 2,001st victims. (Earlier reports that the 2,000 mark was passed were incorrect.)

The toll of known killings is kept by the Royal Ulster Constabulary, which said 20,000 other persons have been injured, many crippled for life.

The death toll includes 1,424 civilians, 327 British soldiers, 101 militia in the Ulster Defence Regiment, 91 members of the constabulary, 41 constabulary reservists and 17 prison officers.

Steelers vs. Rams in Super Bowl

NEW YORK (AP). — The Pittsburgh Steelers have earned a shot at their fourth Super Bowl football championship and the Los Angeles Rams have ended the dreams of the surprising Tampa Bay Buccaneers to qualify for their first Super Bowl.

The Steelers, defending National Football League champions and winners of three of the last five Super Bowls, clinched their spot in the January 20 championship game with a convincing 27-13 victory over the Houston Oilers for the American Conference title.

The Rams won't have to travel far from home for the Super Bowl, which will be played at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California. They beat Tampa Bay 9-0 in the National Conference title game.

Israeli grandmaster stunned by schoolboy

LONDON (Reuter). — A 14-year-old British schoolboy caused a sensation in the Hastings International Chess Congress yesterday by beating Israeli grandmaster Vladimir Liberzon.

Liberzon attacked strongly but over-reached and on the 39th move resigned when faced with the prospect of being checkmated by Nigel Short.

The leader of the tournament, now just past the halfway stage, is Sweden's Ulf Andersson, who has six-and-a-half points.

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	Type	Retail price (incl. VAT)	Old price
MEAT BIRDS	Mini	57.50	70.50
	1	56.50	69.50
	2	55.50	68.50
	3	54.00	67.00
	Family	57.50	70.50

A supplement of IL1.60/kg is payable on chickens "kasher lemehadrin."

	Type	Retail price (incl. VAT)	Old price
CHICKEN PARTS	Breast	150.00	184.00
	Bottom quarters	69.00	84.00
	Leg	89.50	110.00
	Thigh	58.00	71.00
	Liver	120.00	143.00
	Crops	65.50	80.00
	Hearts	120.00	143.00

We wish to emphasize that chickens and chicken parts are kosheres and salted, in accordance with ritual, and under the supervision of the Chief Rabbinate, and all processing is under veterinary supervision.

The price of fresh meat birds has also been reduced, to IL30.50/kg. for live birds (not incl. VAT). On this basis, the recommended price range per kilogram for fresh, slaughtered, plucked meat birds, is IL52-IL67/kg., depending on type of chicken and place purchased.

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ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL: 8.10 English 5 8.30 Math/Geometry 6 9.00 English 8. 9.20 English 6. 9.40 Language Corner 10.10 English 9. 10.30 Geography 7 11.10 English 7 11.30 Algebra/Geometry 8 12.00 English 10 12.20 Mathematics 7 12.40 Science/Physics 7S-8 13.00 Mathematics 13.30 Society and Culture 16.00 Science 6, Nature (repeats) 15.30 Language Corner 16.00 Programme for kindergarteners. 16.30 Everyman's University

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES: 17.30 Maya the Bee — animated series
17.55 "Faster, Higher, Stronger" — sports magazine

ARABIC-LANGUAGE programmes: 18.30 News roundup
18.32 Special regards
19.00 Family magazine
19.30 News

HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with Play It — TV game
20.30 Kolbotek — weekly consumer magazine
21.00 Mabat newsreel
21.35 Hatef-Patah — weekly language corner
21.45 Wings Over the World — TV special filming of the 1978 world tour of Paul McCartney and the Wings group (in colour)
22.40 The Paper Chase: Losing Streak
23.25 Israeli Film Shorts
23.45 Almost Midnight — News

JORDAN TV (unofficial):
17.40 Cartoons 18.30 French Hour 18.30 (JTV 3 only) The Wonderful World of Walt Disney 18.45 I Dream of Jeannie 19.00 News in French 19.10 (JTV 3) Peyton Place 19.30 News in Hebrew 19.45 Magazine Zero-One. 20.00 News in Arabic. 20.30 Come Back Mrs. Noah. 21.10 Power 22.00 News in English. 22.15 Crown Court.

ON THE AIR

First Programme

7.07 Vivaldi: Oboe Concerto in D Minor; Galuppi: Piano Sonata in C Major; Godard: Suite for Flute; Respighi: Suite No.2 (Marriner)
8.05 (stereo): Bach: Violin Concerto in A Minor (Perlman); Mozart: String Quartet in D Minor, K.421; Debussy: Violin Sonata (Zukerman, Neikrug); Mahler: Symphony No.4 (Ameling, Haitink)
10.05 Radio story
10.18 Elementary school broadcasts
10.35 Lesson in spoken Arabic
10.40 Elementary school broadcasts
11.15 From the Treasures of Jewish communities in Israel
12.05 (stereo): Eldad Neumark, Piano and Harpsichord — Fasch: Sonata in G Major (Tidhar, Thorner, Pianka, Heled); Tartini: Sonata (Kless); Handel: Aria (Grossmeyer); Milhaud: Viola Sonata No. 1 (Steinberg); J.C. Bach: Trio in C Major (Thorner, Kless, Halperin)
13.00 (stereo): Tunes from Musicals, Operettas and Films
14.10 Children's programmes
15.25 World of Science (repeat)
15.55 Notes on a new book
16.05 (stereo): Purcell: Funeral Music for Queen Mary: Haydn: Stabat Mater
17.45 Programmes for Olim
20.30 (stereo): The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, Uri Segal conducting: with Andre Tchaikovsky, piano — Jacoby: "David's Violin"; Rachmaninoff: Paganini-Variations; Bach: Piano Concerto in F Minor; Prokofiev: Romeo and Juliet, excerpts
23.00 Radio Drama
00.10 (stereo): Music from the Renaissance and the Baroque periods

Second Programme

7.00 This Morning — news magazine
8.10 Good Morning — songs, chat
12.05 Productive Pace — programme for workers and employers
12.30 Road safety broadcast
13.05 Midday — news commentary, music
14.10 Around the world with songs
15.05 Sephardi songs
16.10 "Confrontation"
17.10 Court House — trial dramatization
18.18 Weekly religion magazine
18.35 Sports magazine
18.45 Bible Reading — Samuel I, 6:10-21
19.00 Today — people and events in the news
20.10 Literary magazine
21.05 Cantorial music
22.05 "Another Angle" (repeat)
23.05 Two by Two — marriage counselling

Army

8.30 University on the air — Dr. Zvi Bachrach lectures on 20th century ideologies: Nazism
7.07 "707" — Alex Aaski presents selections of music and items from the morning newspapers
8.05 IDF Morning Newsreel
9.05 Songs
10.05 Morning Party
12.05 Noontime — with Eli Yisraeli
14.05 Have a Good Time — Billboard of entertainment programmes, interviews and reviews
16.05 Benny Goodman and friends
17.05 IDF Evening newsreel
18.05 Leaving Ras Muhammad — recorded impressions
19.05 Rock Plus
21.00 Mabat newsreel
21.05 University on the Air
22.05 Lolita by Vladimir Nabokov (repeat)
23.05 Jazz Hour
23.45 IDF Midnight newsreel
00.05 Night Birds

NEWS COMMENTARY
Second Programme: Following the news at 7 a.m. 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Army Radio: Following the 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. news and at 11.40 p.m.

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Edison: Steel; Habimah: Marriage Tel Aviv Style; Kiryi Hair 4, 6.45, 9; Mitchell: Norma Rae 6.45, 9; Orgil: Wife Mistress; Orion: Meteor 4, 6.45, 9; Orna: Little Romance 4, 6.45, 9; Rex: Last Tango in Paris 4, 7, 9.15; Semadar: Death on the Nile 8; Israel Museum: Love and Death, 8.; 8.30; Cinema 1: 1900 — Part I at 6.45, Part II at 9.15

TEL AVIV 4.30, 7.15, 9.30
Allenby: The Champ; Ben Yehudah: The Tin Drum 2.45, 6.30, 9.15; Cheer: Escape from Alcatraz 4.30, 7, 9.30; Cinema 1: Halloween; Cinema 2: Moments; Dekel: My Heart Belongs to Broadway; Drive-In: Murder on the Orient Express 7.30, 9.30; Won Ton Ton 5.30; Esther: "10"; Gat: Voices; Gordon: Hanover Street; Hod: Marriage Tel Aviv Style; Limor: The Promise; Maxim: Les Egouts du Paradis; Megrabi: And Justice for All 4.30, 7, 9.30; Opkir: Golden Girl; Orly: Sissi 4.30, 7, 9.30; Paris: The Rocky Horror Picture Show 7.15, 9.30; Peer: Meteor; Ramat Aviv: Fist 7, 9.30; Shabadi: Hair 4.15, 8, 9.30; Studio: The Lady Vanishes; Tchelet: The Kid; Tel Aviv: The Great Escape 5, 8.30; Tel Aviv Museum: The Marriage of Maria Braun; Zafon: Halloween.

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Closed.

RAMAT GAN 7.15, 9.30
Armon: Puppet on a Chain 4, 7.15, 9.30; Hadar: Moments 7, 9.30; Lily: Wife Mistress 7.30, 9.30; Oasis: Escape from Alcatraz 4, 7, 9.30; Ordan: Marriage Tel Aviv Style 4, 7.15, 9.30; Rama: The Casper Baggurs; Ramat Gan: A Nous Deux

HERZLIYA
David: Interiors 4, 7, 9.15; Tiferet: The Killer Fish 7.15, 9.15

HOLON
Migdal: Rocky II 7.15, 9.15

NETANYA
Esther: The Deer Hunter 5, 8.30

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Shalom: Marriage Tel Aviv Style 3.30, 7.15, 9.15

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A stew fit for the Sabbath

Inexpensive and filling, cholent or hamin is our most typical traditional dish, writes Greer Fay Cashman.



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IT IS 6.15 a.m. on a cold, wet winter Friday morning in Jerusalem. The city is shrouded in the grey light of dawn. Fog hovers over the roof tops. The streets of the Capital are eerily quiet, except for the occasional bus, whose motor momentarily shatters the stillness.

While most of Jerusalem's inhabitants still slumber, Leah Brumer busies herself in her first floor kitchen in Jaffa Road.

On Fridays, she starts working a little later than is her custom on other days of the week. Usually, she's up and about at 5.30, but she has less cooking to do on Fridays.

The tantalising aroma of fried onions wafts down the staircase. The onions are the base for Leah's delicious cholent, or shalet, as she calls it in the faint trace of an Hungarian accent which still lingers after 32 years in Israel.

Leah is the proprietoress of Europa, one of the few restaurants in downtown Jerusalem, where items such as humous, tehina, pita and lamb never appear on the menu. The cuisine is strictly Hungarian — hot and spicy-sweet. Whenever she's cooking, Leah has large jars of paprika and granulated garlic close at hand.

The onions are sautéed in a combination of oil and goose fat until they turn pale gold in colour. Garlic and paprika are added to enhance the flavour, then beef shanks and brown beans. Leah turns the flame down low, and leaves the concoction to simmer for 15 minutes, stirring two or three times to make sure that the onions don't stick to the bottom of the pot. Next, she adds water to cover the surface of the mixture, and leaves the pot on the fire for another half-hour before transferring it to the oven. Sometimes, the ingredients also include barley; and if she has any vegetable soup available, she adds that.

Leah has no objection to sharing her recipes, but trying to pin her down to exact quantities is a fruitless task. An instinctive cook, she never resorts to measuring a cupful or spoonful of anything. The essential secret to the majority of her recipes, she says, is slow cooking.

Her shalet is not quite the same as the one which she ate as a girl in Sumbatli on the Austro-Hungarian border. "The bones were veal shanks and not beef," she recalls, "and the top of the pot was circled with hard-boiled eggs." The cooking of the shalet was never done at home. The pot would be hermetically sealed with an identifying mark, and it would then be taken by the maid to the local baker, in whose oven it would stand overnight.

Leah had no childhood ambitions to run a restaurant. She was still a teenager when she was included in a Nazi round-up and taken to Auschwitz. The only member of her immediate family to survive the war, she was sent by the Jewish welfare authorities to an aliya training farm in Hungary.

"You can cook," she was told when she arrived. "All right" she replied, "but who's going to eat what I prepare?" At that stage, she was totally inexperienced in the kitchen. While she worked, the images of her loved ones who had perished, constantly flooded her mind. Gradually, she began to remember the manner in which her mother had made various dishes, and she put her memories to the test on the training farm menu. There were no complaints.

Later, she took a course on how to wait on tables. When she finally left Hungary, she first spent a year in Cyprus before reaching Israel.

She had not been in Israel very long when she met another Hungarian immigrant, Ernest Brumer, whom she subsequently married. "She was pretty and she was a good cook, What more did a man need in a wife?" Ernest quips.

Their first restaurant was located in Hillel Street, with the large patio of their apartment serving as a dining area. Later, they moved to somewhat larger premises in Keren Kayemet St., and more recently opened up "Europa" in Jaffa Rd.

Leah does all the cooking herself. Everything is ready by mid-morning. "I like to start the day early" she says, "because I know that there won't be any distractions to disturb me before the kitchen staff come on duty." When illness prevents Leah from doing her chores, Ernest takes over. He learned how to cook by observing Leah, "but I'm much more limited than she is."

Leah refuses to employ an assistant cook. "It's not that I doubt anyone else's abilities," she explains. "It's just that I'm a very tough *baleboste* and I don't think that someone else would be happy trying to live up to my demands."

Cholent, shalet, call it what you will, its definition is best summed up in the Hebrew name *hamin*, which means purely and simply, a hot dish.

In the pre-electricity era, particularly in Europe, where people had to endure long, cold winters, Jews, forbidden to cook on the Sabbath, had to come up with a dish which could survive some 20 hours in the oven and still be edible. Economics was another important consideration, which is why so many cholent recipes contain relatively inexpensive, filling ingredients such as potatoes, barley, dried beans, kasha (groats) and rice.

Today, observant Jews don't have to rely on cholent for an appetising Sabbath meal. Virtually any dish can be prepared in advance, and kept warm on a hot plate.

For the non-observant, who are partial to cholent, but mindful of the energy crisis, a wonder-pot is a marvellous solution. Your cholent will cook on top of the stove in under two hours, tasting of oven crispness, without ever having been in the oven.

Although cholent is regarded as a strictly Jewish culinary tradition, it would be a fairly safe bet to say that it has its origins in the French cassoulet, the recipes for which are very similar to those of cholent, with two main exceptions — the cooking time, which is approximately four hours, and the inclusion of pork and lamb.

If one is cognisant of how words change in pronunciation from region to region and country to country, it becomes quite easy to find a common association between cholent, shalet and cassoulet.

It is unlikely that you will find rice in any European recipe for a Sabbath stew, but in North Africa and Asia, where rice is a dietary staple, it is a main ingredient in every main course meal.

Miriam Nissim, who grew up on Kurdistan cuisine, had to expand her culinary repertoire when she married her husband Kaduri, who is of Iraqi extraction.

Tripe and kubbeh are standard Sabbath fare among the Kurds, whereas the Iraquis go in for stuffed chicken. Miriam alternates between both traditions.

Like Leah Brumer, she relies on instinct and experience more than measuring utensils, and has equal difficulty in stating how much of any one ingredient should be used.

These are the recipes as she gave them to me:

Tripe

Tripe, meat cubes, rice, salt, paprika, black pepper, oil, water.

Clean the tripe thoroughly until it is completely white. Cut the tripe into a large square or rectangle, fold over and sew the edges together, leaving an opening for the filling.

Mix all remaining ingredients except water, and place them in the sack of tripe. Sew the remaining edge and place the sack in a pot of water. Bring to the boil, then discard the water. Fry the tripe in a small quantity of oil until brown on all sides. Add water to the pan, bring to the boil and simmer on the lowest possible flame or on a hot plate. Leave the pan on the heat all night.

Kubbeh

Rice, ground beef, burghul, beef shanks, salt, pepper.

Soak rice in water for two hours. Drain rice and mix with ground beef, salt and pepper. Meanwhile place burghul and shanks in a pot. Cover with water, season to taste, bring to the boil, then simmer. Make small balls out of the rice and meat mixture, and cook them in the burghul broth. Turn flame down to lowest point, and leave pot on the stove overnight.

Stuffed Chicken

Beef cubes, rice, diced tomatoes, salt, pepper, cumin, chicken soup, one chicken.

Cook a large portion of the rice in the chicken soup. Mix remaining rice with beef, seasoning and tomatoes. Stuff chicken with this mixture and sew up the opening. Place chicken in the rice and soup mixture and cook on low flame.

Nili Amer's family enjoys a recipe which they brought with them from Morocco; but Nili concedes that it has been adapted to suit Israeli conditions. The rice in this recipe is conveniently prepared in a "Cooky" bag.

"My grandmother in Morocco never heard of any of these modern labour-saving devices" Nili says. "She used to make a pouch out of chicken skin and put the rice in that. It probably tasted better, but it's too messy." Nili's recipe also calls for margarine, whereas her grandmother probably used oil, chicken fat or lamb suet. This modified version of Moroccan hamin serves five.

Moroccan Hamin

3 cups of chick peas, 1 cup dried beans, 2½ cups rice, 5 potatoes, 5 eggs, ½ kilo meat or chicken, ½ a tub of margarine, 1 tsp. turmeric, pinch of black pepper, ½ tsp. salt, pinch of paprika, water, oil.

Soak the chick peas and beans in hot water for at least 3 hours. Fry the rice in a small quantity of oil and water over a low flame for 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Place the rice in a "Cooky" bag and put the bag in a pot. Add all the other ingredients and cover with water. Cook all night on a low flame, making sure that there is enough water to keep the mixture from burning.

The traditional East European hamin or cholent calls for onions fried in poultry fat or oil, lima beans, barley (both soaked overnight), diced or halved potatoes, beef brisket or shoulder, salt, pepper, paprika and garlic. When making a kasha cholent, the potatoes and barley are omitted. The onions should be sautéed in a pot to which all the other ingredients are added. Pour in enough water to reach a centimetre below the top of the pot. Cover pot with a tight lid and bring cholent to the boil. Simmer over a low flame for an hour and transfer to oven. Bake on a very low temperature overnight. For extra flavour and moisture retention, a grated carrot can be added to the basic mixture. If you don't have an oven, and you have to leave the cholent on top of the stove all night, it will taste better if you sear the meat.

With lamb currently so much cheaper than beef, the economic cook will opt for the former rather than the latter. Lamb, being fattier than beef, will give the cholent a more succulent taste. To enrich the flavour even more, throw in a few chicken wings, or better still, have a mix of lamb, beef and poultry.

No Ashkenazi cholent is complete without the extras — knaidle, helzl or kishke. The knaidle is a large dumpling placed close to the meat in the centre of the pot.

Helzl is stuffed poultry neck — usually chicken; and kishke is stuffed derma, using the intestines of a cow.

The knaidle can be a huge matza ball, enhanced by the addition of fried onions to the basic mixture; or alternately, you can make a flour and water dough with chicken fat binding and your favourite herbs and spices. Form the dough into a ball. Potato dumplings can be made with mashed potatoes, flour, eggs and seasoning.

The stuffing for helzl and kishke utilises the same recipe in differing quantities. For kishke take ¼ cup of chicken or goose fat, 1 large grated onion, ¾ cup flour, salt, pepper and garlic to taste, boiling salted water. Melt a small quantity of the fat and lightly sauté the onions. Sift together flour, salt, pepper and garlic. Add breadcrumbs and onions including the melted fat. Cut up remaining fat into small pieces. Mix well and stuff poultry neck casing or derma. The stuffing should be loose so that it will have room to expand during the cooking process. After sewing up the opening of the casing, immerse for three minutes in boiling water, drain and place it on top of the cholent before putting the pot in the oven.

Cleaning the casings requires skill. If you're too energetic, the casings will tear. They should be scalded, scraped, and rinsed on both sides. Sew up one end, and use a teaspoon to fee the stuffing into the casing. Start at the sewn-up end, circling it with the thumb and forefinger.

Many restaurants serve cholent and kishke right throughout the week, but somehow, it just doesn't taste the same as it does on Saturdays. The Sabbath has its own secret ingredient which turns an ordinary stew into something special.

Metamorphosis of a Cholent

Lea Abramowitz writes in praise of the one dish that keeps all the many members of her family happily fed.

I COULD write an ode in praise of chunt, or cholent, or hamin as it is called in Israel. There is no other dish which combines the advantages of satisfying a wide variety of tastes, is economical, can be made quickly and represents a meal-in-one-pot repast for those of us who don't like washing pots.

In our family, we serve cholent religiously every Shabbat lunch from Succot to Pessah. The ingredients by now are quite versatile and heterogeneous and represent a mini-history of the household.

When I was young and newly-wed, I made a simple cholent and only when guests came. In the biggest pot we had at the time, I browned an onion in a bit of margarine, added salt and pepper to taste, threw in the Shabbat chicken giblets, diced up 3-4 potatoes, augmented it all with a cup of plain white kidney beans soaked overnight in water, more salt and pepper, covered it with water and waited for happy results.

We moved to a development town down south when our first-born, Hannah, was born. She quickly picked up the Sephardi tastes of our neighbours and we began putting garlic and turnips in our cholent, dousing liberally with paprika. A friend from Boston who visited us there advised browning a few carrots which added flavour and colouring.

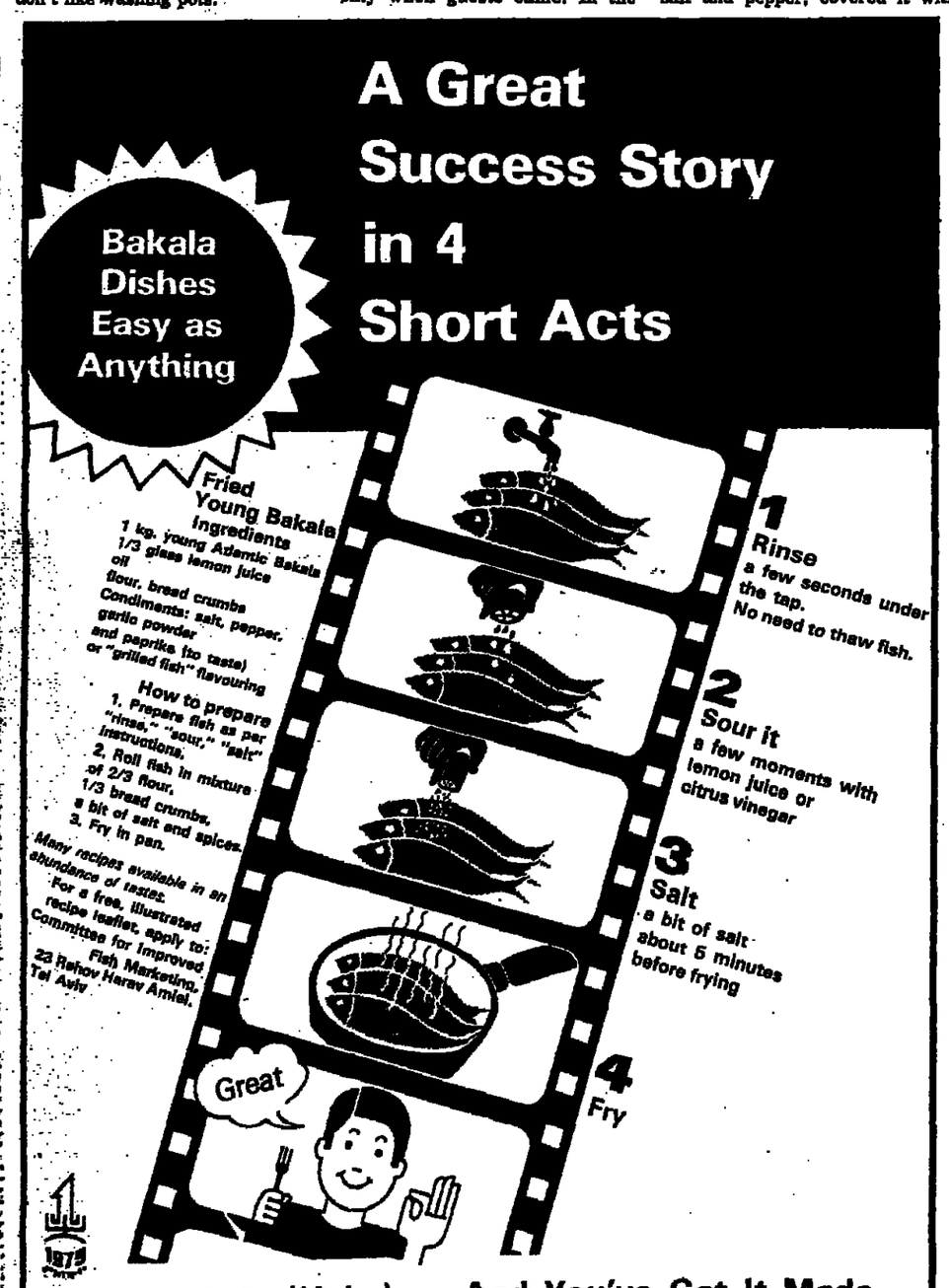
By the time we moved back to Jerusalem and Rafi, our fourth child was born, we were putting 6-8 diced potatoes in our cholent, more chicken pieces, and the latest innovation — barley, at least a cup full which our Hungarian grocer called in Hebrew, "pnimim barley."

Then came a brief period when meat was cheaper than chicken — remember? We didn't cut out the chicken spare parts, but started adding ¼ kilo of brisket. A chance visit to a sausage factory led to the innovation of "kishke" (stuffed derma) which actually remains as a "guest performer" in our cholent as we rarely buy the delicacy.

A mistaken grocery order led to still another ingredient. When the supermarket delivered 10 packages of chickpeas instead of the 10 cans of humous I'd ordered while I wasn't home, I wailed, "What am I going to do with all these *arbes* — make a *bris*?" "Put them in the cholent," my ever-ingenious husband advised. And ever since then we soak two cups of chickpeas and two cups of kidney beans every Thursday evening for the next day's production.

Now several kids later, using the biggest pot we could find, dicing approximately 12-15 potatoes per cholent, we've begun adding pieces of turkey necks and, a popular item, several hot dogs, cut up. Now it's the children who bring home tasty additions. Hannah, who spent her first year of national service in Kiryat Shmona, suggested we add whole raw eggs, shell and all, Moroccan style. As the cholent simmers away, the eggs become hard-boiled and then brown, so that by the time the cholent's eaten, they've acquired a unique, roasted, meaty taste. Only recently we've begun mixing in a spoon of honey to top off the cholent just before it's placed on the hot plate which gives a nice brown colour and brings out the flavour of each item.

After kiddush and chopped liver, when the "toran" (junior waiter of the week) starts dishing out the cholent on Shabbat afternoon, the orders are called out in cadence from the dining room. "Heavy on the potatoes and hot dogs, but not too many carrots," yells Doodie. "No liquid, but a lot of beans and meat," Michy requests. Three-year-old Ayelet wants nack-nick too, and humous, but not hot. I sit back relaxed, happy at the Shabbat *menucha* (rest) and the family feast. This is one meal when everyone scores, everyone gets what he wants. Ah, for the joys of cholent!



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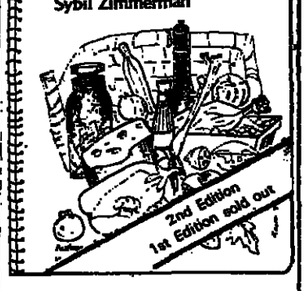
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(Lester Millman)

A harvest of vegetarian stews

Stretch your budget by leaving out meat and concentrating on vegetables and grains and legumes in your casseroles, writes Phyllis Glazer.

IT'S RAINING outside. And even though it's Tel Aviv, it's still cold. With the price of gas and electricity these days, heating your outsides is no easy matter. With the price of food these days, heating your insides is no easy matter either. The time seems ripe for getting into a stew.

A stew is a mixture, often of meat with vegetables, that is prepared by slow-cooking or simmering. A casserole, ditto, but in the oven with a cover. Either way, it's one way to stretch your budget, especially if you leave out the meat. Grains and legumes are perfect for stews, because their flavours are enhanced by cooking with vegetables. They are also an excellent source of protein when mixed together, and with a dairy product. Vegetable stews that don't contain potatoes may be served with pasta, rice, kasha, bulgar, or other grain. Those that do are best served with a salad. Here are a few of the possibilities:

Lentil Barley Stew

An excellent stew, not too-heavy, colourful and nutritious. Leftovers (if there are any) may be used to stuff peppers or tomatoes for another meal.

(Serves 3-4)

¼ cup (50 gms) butter or margarine
1 medium onion, chopped
2 celery stalks, chopped
2½ cups fresh or canned tomatoes, peeled and chopped
2 cups water
½ cup dried lentils, thoroughly cleaned and washed
1/3 cup barley
good pinch rosemary
salt, black pepper and Tabasco sauce to taste
1 carrot, grated

Melt butter in a large heavy pot. Sauté onion till tender. Add celery and cook five minutes more. Add the rest of the ingredients except the carrot, bring to a boil, cover and cook over low heat for 25 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add grated carrot and cook about five minutes longer, until barley and lentils are tender.

Sicilian Vegetable Stew

The Sicilians love their food hot, as contrasted with the Northern Italians who prefer subtler, milder flavours. This hot and spicy vegetable stew is perfect over pasta, mashed potatoes, rice or other grain. Leave out the pepper if you prefer. Serve with grated cheese and/or chopped olives if desired.

(Serves 2-4)

1 tbs. olive oil
1 tbs. safflower or other oil
1 large onion, chopped
4 garlic cloves, minced
3 small zucchini, sliced thinly
1 large tomato, chopped
2 small carrots sliced thinly
1 small can tomato paste
1 cup tomato juice
2 bay leaves (or 1 tsp mixed pickling spice)
1 tsp oregano
½ tsp basil
dash marjoram
3 small dried hot chili peppers (more or less to taste)
salt to taste

Heat a large heavy frying pan or saucepan. Add oils, onion and garlic. Cook over medium heat till light brown. Add zucchini and tomato, and cook for 5 minutes. Add carrot. Stir well. Add tomato paste, juice and spices. Cook for 15-20 minutes over low heat, stirring occasionally. Adjust salt and pepper to taste. Garnish with chopped olives or grated cheese if desired.

Root Stew

A delicious combination for an "earthy" friend.

(Serves 2)

2 carrots, sliced
1 medium onion, chopped
1 medium celery root (celeriac) peeled and chopped
1 parsnip, chopped
1 medium potato, chopped
2 bay leaves
1 cup water
2 tbs prepared mustard (preferably Dijon)
1 tbs. olive oil
garlic powder, salt and pepper

Cut the vegetables in contrasting shapes and sizes (slices, strips) and place in a saucepan with the bay leaves and water. Bring to a boil, cover and cook over low heat about 15 minutes or until vegetables just begin to soften. Stir occasionally during the cooking process, and add a little water if needed. Gently stir in the mustard and cook 10 more minutes, or until the vegetables are done. Remove from the stove and stir in oil and salt, pepper and garlic power to taste. Garnish with a few chopped celery root leaves before serving.

English Stew

Noah is a creative vegetarian cook, whose wonders I first tasted at the "Banana" vegetarian restaurant in Dizengoff. Noah's food leads us out of the flood of chemical additives and preservatives, while proving that health food can be good for you, and still taste good.

(Serves 4)

4 carrots
2 leeks
2 onions
1 parsnip
1/3 kilo potatoes
1 small celery root (without leaves)
¼ kilo green or yellow string beans
40 grams margarine (or 3 tbs.) oil)
3-4 cups hot water or vegetable bouillon
1 tsp salt
½ tsp pepper
½ tsp mustard powder
3 tsp chopped fresh mint leaves

Cut all vegetables except potatoes into medium sized pieces. Fry on low heat in half the quantity of oil or margarine about 5 minutes, till shiny. Add salt, pepper, mustard powder and hot water or broth. Cut potatoes into slices (I always prefer to wash them well and use them with the peel, because that's where most of the vitamins lurk), and cover the whole casserole with them. Sprinkle with mint leaves and the other half of the oil or margarine. Cover and bake on medium heat 20-30 minutes.

For a crispy top: Bake uncovered for about 20 minutes and then slip under broiler till top is browned. Serve with salad.

"Banana" Cholent

This is not a recipe for banana flavoured cholent. This is Yochi (owner of "Banana")'s deluxe vegetarian cholent recipe. If you're too busy to make it, you can always have it there on Shabbat.

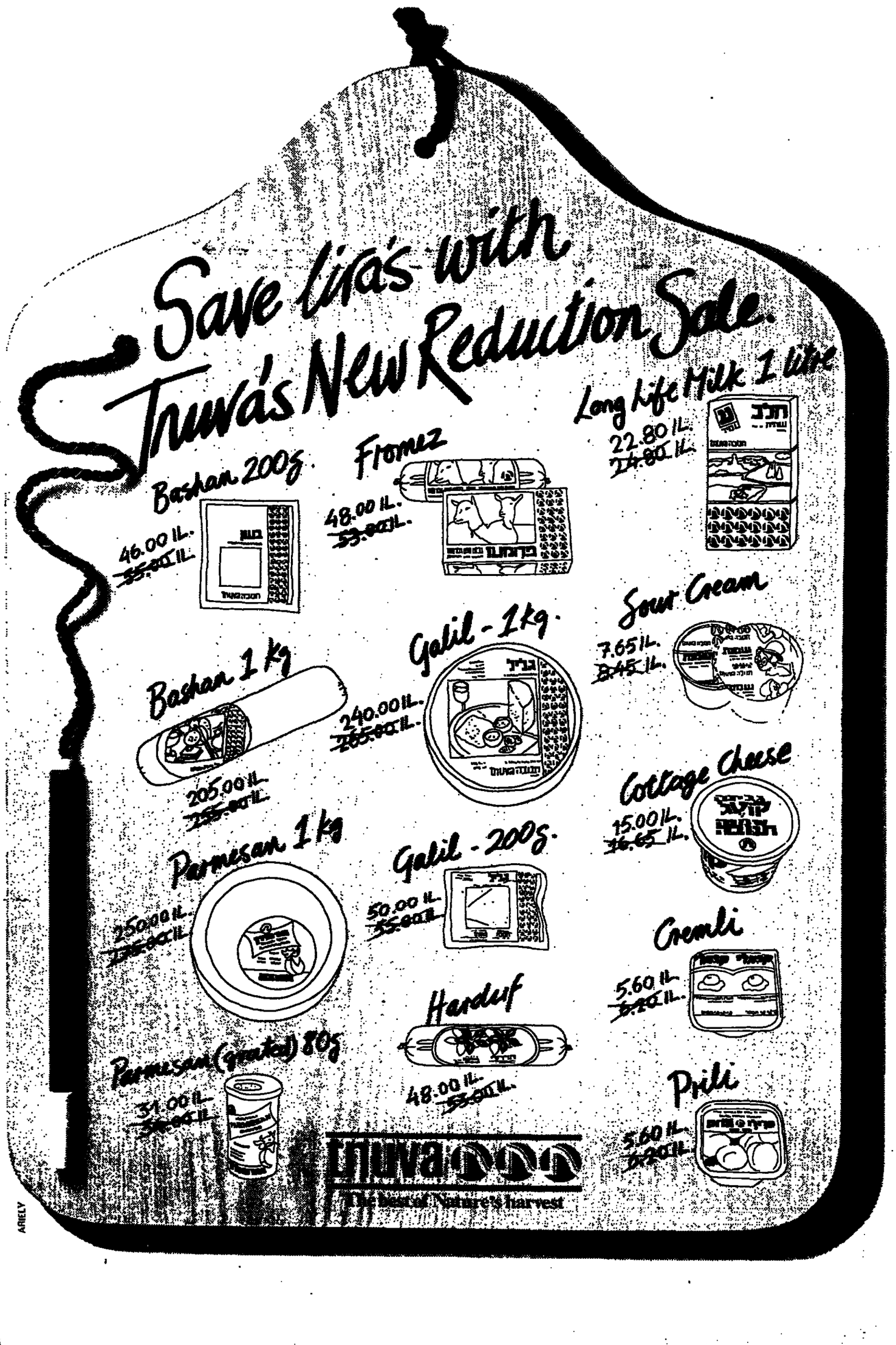
(Serves 6)

6 eggs
½ head of garlic
2-3 large onions
5 medium onions, cut into quarters
6 medium potatoes, cut in half widthwise
2 carrots, cut in thick slices
½ cup chickpeas
½ cup white beans
½ bag barley
1 handful of ful (broad beans)
100 grams margarine
2 medium tomatoes, grated
salt, black pepper, cinnamon, brown sugar

Soak all the legumes overnight (chickpeas, white beans, ful) Chop the 2 large onions and brown them in a little oil in a frying pan.

Put the soaked drained legumes in the bottom of a large heavy pot. Place the sliced potatoes over them, next the quartered onions, next the eggs (in their shells), then the garlic and carrots. Cover with barley and fried onion. Dot with margarine, black pepper, ¼ tsp cinnamon and 1 tsp brown sugar. Add enough water to cover the top of the entire mixture in the pot, then cover the pot with a right fitting lid. Bring the mixture to a boil on a high flame, then turn down to a small flame and cook 6 hours. After 6 hours check and see if there is enough water. If not, add some. Add the grated tomatoes. Cook an additional 6 hours.

Yochi says that the cholent is even better in the oven. Bring the mixture to a boil in an ovenproof dish, then place it in the oven on lowest possible heat for at least 12 hours.



East or West, Soup's Best

Lilian Cornfeld tours the world in a soup tureen.



(David Rubinger)

SOUP must have been the first food cooked in a pot utilizing bones and roots. Every country has its specialities, but there are also many similarities around the world. Every soup can be made into a stew by adding meat balls, dumplings, rice, and legumes, thus creating nourishing and healthy one-pot meals.

Soups are stimulating, nourishing, appetizing, and healthy, adding liquid to the diet. A light soup should be served with a heavy dinner, but never a nourishing one made with legumes.

A healthy soup can be made with yoghurt or leben, cucumbers and garlic, and served cold. Gaspacho is made with tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, oil and garlic and blended raw. Fresh or dried fruit soups are also healthy and can be served cold with yoghurt or in winter, hot and thickened with cornflour.

Broth — the invalid soup of meat — contains extractives which are stimulating and appetizing arousing the juices of the stomach but not nourishing. On the contrary meat soup is contraindicted when there is hyper-acidity or an ulcer. So even chicken soup is not a panacea for people with those troubles. A cream vegetable soup is better. A chicken soup supposed to prevent colds, is Bucharian Chicken soup, made with soup greens and chicken, then laced with lemon and garlic and served with broad noodles. The Greeks too have a word for it — Avgolemone Soup, but instead of noodles they add rice, lemon and beaten egg.

What is the difference between bouillon, consommé, and bisque? The first is made of browned beef and bone; consommhe is made of two kinds of meat or chicken, while bisque is a creamed fish soup.

Whatever the soup, the greens are most important; parsley, celery root, carrot, leeks, onions, garlic, turnip — if not available fresh, then use dried or frozen soup mix, or vegetables. A "Bouquet Garni" containing celery, thyme, bay leaves, parsley and peppercorns is used French soups. Spices vary with the country — the Middle East likes tumeric and cumin an addition to the regular spices of the west — salt, pepper, paprika, oregano, marjoram and caraway seeds.

Grated carrot simmered in oil gives a good colour to soup.

Chicken soup can be varied and mad glamorous by adding cereals (rice, semolina, matza dumplings) cubes of avocado, mock almonds, mashed cooked chestnuts and parve cream, eggplant stew with egg, ravioli and kreplach, noodles. Use up left over roast-turkey and chicken bones in a soup. Add a soup cube if necessary and lots of chopped green onions and dill. Fresh or dried mushrooms or pitted olives enhance this soup.

Legume soups are the hearty ones and take longer to cook. To shorten the time, cook the legumes in boiling water two minutes, then let stand for 2 hours. This shortens the cooking time by half. Legumes are dried peas, brown lentils (red ones cook quickly) beans, chick peas (humous). Lentil soup is cooked with a meat shank or bone, preferably smoked meat and soup greens. It is served with lots of garlic and shredded spinach in Italy. In Germany it is served with frankfurters, while the Americans add croutons.

Canadian soup is balm to a tired body in the cold weather. Cook as for lentils with bay leaves, 6 peppercorns, root celery and onions. Serve with croutons.

Beans and barley soup (Scotch Broth): prepare beans as above, and vegetables, including dried, soaked mushrooms. Cover with water and cook until all is soft. The vegetables best suited to this soup are carrot, turnip, persnip and celery. If meat is used, soak the meat in cold water for 10 minutes first to draw out juices.

Meat and goulash soup: Brown onions in oil, add turkey and beef cubes rolled in flour and paprika. Cover with tomato juice or wine and water, add some soup greens, spices and cook until meat is nearly tender. Add potato cubes, loads of chopped parsley and cook until potatoes are soft. Serve in bowls as a main dish.

Moroccan chick pea soup: Brown a piece of meat with bone in oil with garlic and onions. Cover with water and add chick peas and soup greens. Cook until tender, add chopped *cousbera* (fresh coriander) and serve.

Sauerkraut soup with meat balls: Cook sauerkraut and fresh tomatoes in water to cover. Add soup greens and cook for 20 minutes. Add small meat balls. Serve with parsley and garlic bread.

Quick soup: Fry a chopped onion, add 1 cup chopped meat and stir until meat is brown. Add 4 cups tomato juice or Water and tomato purée, chopped parsley, spices to taste and boil.

The classic Milan-style Minestrone uses ½ cup beans, ½ cup rice to 2 litres of water. Add shredded carrots, zucchini, cabbage, onion, tomatoes, celery, leeks, spinach, garlic, oregano, salt and pepper. When tender, serve with grated Parmesan cheese. Turnip, green peas cauliflower and beans are great in this soup.

Cream of tomato soup: For some reason this has never become part of our menu as it is in America. Too bad — I do not know a better soup. Cook raw or tinned tomatoes with a sliced onion, 1 tbs. sugar, salt and pepper in water to cover. In another saucepan, dilute 2 tbs. of flour or cornflour in water and cook, stirring in 2 cups of milk. Add a lump of butter, ½ tsp. soda-bicarbonate and strain in the tomatoes. Just heat up but do not boil. Serve with crackers.

All yours

Money-saving and tummy-warming recipes from readers.



(Mike Goldberg)

THE WORDS "soups and stews" obviously stimulated a great many of you to getting out pen and paper and sitting down to write us your favourite recipes. I hope you'll also be stimulated enough by other people's recipes printed here to get out stew or soup pot, meat and vegetables, and get cooking.

We found several of you emphasising that the particular dish recommended was "anti-inflation," "energy-saving" or simply "cheap." This has given us a push to have a special "budget cooking" Today Food section next month (although we do try to keep prices down in most of our food articles anyway). So, please, send us your "Budget" recipes, whether for meat, fish, cheese or pastry or dessert dishes, for the February Today — recipes to the Today Food editors, Haim Shapiro and Joanna Yehiel, at the Jerusalem Post, POB 81, Jerusalem by January 29. Senders of all recipes printed will get a Dry Bones poster.

Far more of you decided on soups rather than stews (also a sign of our inflationary times?), so we'll begin with them:

Lotte Bickhardt, of Megido St., Tel Aviv, makes a positive start with her potato soup, which, she writes, is "very tasty, filling for wintry days, and not at all dietetic." And, she adds, the colours of white, yellow and green are most pleasing to the eye.

Potato Soup
3 potatoes
1 carrot
1 stalk celery
1 small onion
1 clove of garlic
parsley for dressing
3 tbs flour
2 tbs butter
1 egg
milk, salt, pepper, soup mix, soya sauce to taste.

Boil all vegetables in a generous amount of water with all the spices. Melt butter in saucepan, stir in flour and milk and make a thick paste. Add to vegetables. Break an egg, add a little flour, add to boiling soup. Add parsley and turn off.

Mrs. Batya Medad, of Bayit Vegan St., Jerusalem, writes that not everyone always has fresh vegetables or parsley and dill at hand. However, there are four basic non-perishable ingredients — lentils, barley, dehydrated vegetables and soup powder — which can always be available. Together, they make a perfectly easy vegetable soup.

Easy Vegetable Soup
1 cup lentils or split peas
1 cup barley
1 cup dehydrated vegetables
parve soup powder to taste

Clean lentils and bring to boil in 3 cups water in a covered pot. After 10 minutes of rapid boiling, turn off for 30-40 minutes. Then add 1 cup of cleaned barley and 1 cup dehydrated vegetables, and 4 cups of water. Bring to boil, for 5 to 10 minutes and leave for 30 to 40 minutes. Taste, add powered soup (any flavour) and water as necessary. Do not overdo seasonings. (Fresh vegetables can certainly be added.) Reheat and serve.

Barbara Sacks of "Ma'agan Michael sends us her way of cooking a well-known winter soup.

Onion Soup
175 grms onions, thinly sliced
45 grms butter or margarine
75 grms graded gruyere cheese
2 tbs flour
1½ litres stock
Salt, pepper, bread

Sauté onions in butter, sprinkle with flour and as soon as they are golden brown stir in stock. Add salt and pepper and cook for 20 minutes. Place thin slices of bread in the bottom of a soup tureen, sprinkle with cheese, then pour the soup over them and let stand for 10 minutes. Sprinkle more cheese on top and place in oven at 400°F. When top is golden and crusty, it is ready for serving.

Lisa Katz, a new immigrant who has been in the country for 3½ months, writes from Ulpan Revivim, in the Negev that her soup recipe is both quick to make and an excellent source of protein.

Lima Bean Soup
3 cups fresh lima beans, cooked until tender
2 cups milk
½ cup cream cheese
2 cloves garlic
1 cup cooked rice

Reserve 1 cup lima beans, and blend all other ingredients in a blender until smooth. Add remaining beans, heat, add salt and pepper to taste, and serve.

Mark Levinson, of Madregot Beit She'arim, Haifa, states that the soup recipe he encloses "is to be attributed to Leah Levinson and is recommended by her taster in residence" — himself.

Chickpea Soup
1 cup raw chickpeas
300 grms beef, cut up
200 grms pumpkin
1 large or 2 small zucchini
1 tomato or 1 tbs tomato paste
2 carrots
¼ celery root
salt, pepper, thyme, turmeric
fresh parsley, dill
1 large onion

Soak chickpeas in water for 24 hours, discard water. Cook chickpeas in fresh water with cut up beef on a high flame for 1 hour. Cube all vegetables. In a soup pot, fry onion until golden, add chickpeas and beef with water, add vegetables, parsley, dill and seasoning. Bring to boil and cook on low heat for an hour until the vegetables are soft.

Mrs. Yeshiahu Snappir, of Tel Aviv, sent us several soup recipes, from which we chose her unusual

Celery and Spinach Soup
(4 to 6 servings)
½ kilo fresh spinach, chopped
2 tbs chopped green onions (scallions)
1 head of celery, chopped
1 clove garlic, chopped
1 oz butter
1 tbs oil
seasoning
2 pints chicken stock
¼ pint single cream

Cook vegetables and garlic in butter and oil for 10-15 minutes, until softened. Add seasoning and stock and simmer for 20 minutes. Liquidise or pass through sieve. Return to rinsed pot, heat. Stir in cream, garnish with celery leaves and egg before serving.

Another Tel Aviv resident, Bol Cohen, of Bavli, sent in a potato-cabbage soup recipe.

Potato Cabbage Soup
½ white cabbage or Chinese leaves, well cleaned and cut into large pieces
4 large potatoes, cut in cubes
300 to 400 grms beef, cut in small strips
1 tbs sweet paprika
2 tbs tomato ketchup
1 tbs soya sauce
1 tsp chili powder, or pepper

Brown all ingredients in 3 tbs oil. Stir till everything is brownish-pink. Pour in 2 litres warm water and boil with pepper and salt to taste. Lower flame and cook for 1 hour. Mix 1 generous tbs cornflour with some milk or water, and add to boiling soup. Serve soup with slices of raw pepper and grated cheese.

Now for the stews, all of which use meat.

Prices being what they are today, writes Nancy Cohn Peled of Klibutz Hazorea, a meatball stew might be appreciated — "and it's quite delicious."

Meatball Stew
1 lb ground beef
1 egg
¼ cup finely chopped onion
1/3 cup dry bread crumbs
1 tbs mustard
1¼ tsp salt
1/3 tsp oregano
¼ tsp pepper
2 (7½ oz) cans tomato sauce
mushrooms, chopped
2 tbs salad oil
1 cup sliced celery
1 12-oz package frozen peas, or canned equivalent

Combine beef, egg, onion, breadcrumbs, mustard, salt, pepper, oregano and 2 tbs tomato sauce and shape 16 to 20 meatballs. Brown meatballs in skillet, pour off fat. Add mushrooms and celery, cook lightly. Add peas and remaining tomato sauce. Cover and simmer for 20 minutes.

And, lastly, a meat stew from Jerusalemites Hadassa and Lila Stein:

Meat Stew
1 kilo meat (shoulder) cubed
1 large onion, diced
4 medium potatoes, cut into thick pieces
4 large carrots, sliced into rounds
½ to ¾ bottle dry red wine
1 small can tomato purée or tomato paste
salt, pepper, paprika, parsley to taste.

Pour a little oil into a heavy pot, and cook meat for 10-15 minutes. Add onions and cook for 20 minutes, stirring constantly. Mix the wine, tomato paste and seasoning and pour over meat and onions. When wine sauce starts to boil, add potatoes and carrots. Cover pot and cook for about 3 hours on small flame, or until meat and vegetables are tender. Serve very hot.

Spaghetti's tangled tale



Julius B. Humi follows the twisted path of pasta.

ANYONE who has struggled with a plate of spaghetti may be relieved to know its history is as twisted as a forkful of the stuff.

Most of what we "know" about it is pure fiction. For instance:

- Spaghetti was not invented in Italy.
- The biggest spaghetti eaters in the world are the Egyptians. Some experts say more vermicelli is eaten in Russia than in Italy.
- Spaghetti has been used as a religious weapon, named for women of easy virtue and played a part in creating a saint.
- Spaghetti with meatballs is unheard-of in Italy.

Most people equate spaghetti with Italy, as they do roast beef with England. But there is considerable doubt that Italians have any real claim to inventing pasta. Italian restaurants the world over notwithstanding.

Scholars some years ago spiked the most popular theory, that the 13th century Italian trader-explorer Marco Polo brought pasta back from China. They found an inventory of 1279, some 20 years before Marco Polo returned from Asia, in which a Genoa merchant listed a chestful of macaroni among his possessions.

In fact, nobody knows when or how the first pasta dish appeared in European gastronomy. It now seems likely some form of pasta was first sampled by the ancient Greeks.

Evidence comes from Sicily, once a Greek colony, where the term "Macca" is still used for a basic food flour-and-water mixture. The word may come from the Greek "makar," meaning "blessed food," and the earliest form of pasta probably was macaroni.

Now there are hundreds of types — spaghetti, vermicelli, fettucini, ravioli, cannelloni, linguini, pappardelle, tagliatelle, buccattini, tonarelli and scores more.

Spaghetti probably was the type responsible for the theory that pasta is archetypically Italian. Aristocrats on the "grand tour" in the late 18th century commented repeatedly on the fact that poverty-stricken people in Naples and the teeming towns along the road to Vesuvius ate it constantly.

Once Italy was unified in the mid-19th century, spaghetti spread to the wealthier central and northern Italian provinces. Each added its own, more expensive, ingredients to the only sauce poor Neapolitans could afford, oil and tomato.

Housewives in Bologna added meat, and spaghetti Bolognese is still the most popular version internationally. Genoa and Venice concocted fish and mussel sauces, using their abundant seafood.

One fiery pasta is called Spaghetti Puttanesca, after a slang word for a woman of the streets. Pasta experts say this is a mark of admiration for the take-your-breath-away qualities of a sauce made with tomato, anchovy, olive and red peppers.

Immigrants to the U.S. from the poor Italian south celebrated their newfound wealth by adding meatballs to their spaghetti, a combination Italians at home refuse to adopt to this day.

Spaghetti has played some curious roles in history.

In the 18th and 19th centuries, supporters of Rome's struggle against the temporal powers of the Popes showed their defiance by naming spaghetti made with eggs and bacon after their outlawed party, the Carbonari. Hence Spaghetti Carbonara.

In the 14th century, Guglielmo Cuffitella was served ravioli stuffed with mud and dirt by the jealous wife of a friend. Cuffitella ate it with great relish, then showed the astounded woman the dirt stuffing had turned into a delicious meat and cheese paste. He was later the subject of beatification proceedings but church records do not clarify whether these involved miracles other than the transformation of the ravioli.

There is hardly a city in the world without an Italian restaurant or two, and pasta dishes feature in all of them. Yet there are so many kinds of pasta, and so many sauces to go on them, that there are more possible combinations of pasta than there are pasta chefs. (UPI)

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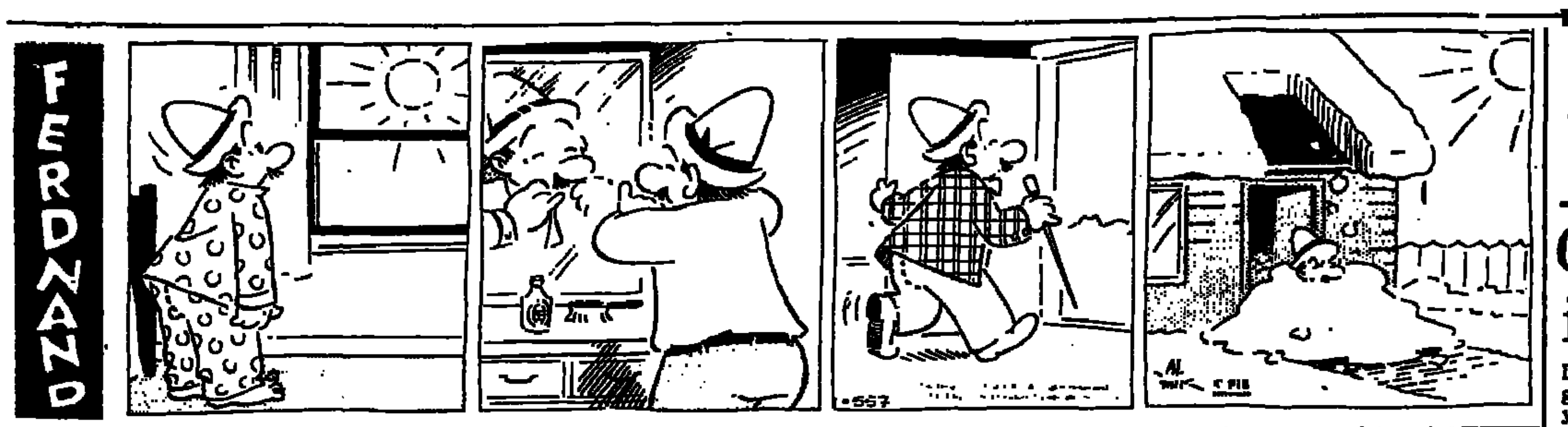
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Money Matters

Gold at $680 in Hongkong

LONDON (Reuter). — The price of gold was back at record levels yesterday after tumbling sharply at the end of last week, but its rise was trimmed during trading on the European markets.

At the regular price-fixing session on the London bullion market yesterday morning it was set at $634 an ounce, $44 up on Friday's closing price. In the afternoon, however, gold was fixed at a slightly lower $633.50.

Gold shot up to an impressive $680 in Hongkong earlier yesterday in a panic rush by buyers anxious about U.S.-Soviet tension after the weekend American economic measures against the Soviet Union.

But the price fell to around $645 when the European markets opened.

Gold is being pulled two ways at the moment. International tensions, plus anxieties about inflation and a loss of confidence in paper money, are pulling its price upwards.

But profit-taking, and feelings that some of the fears may be exaggerated, have acted in the other directions, dealers on the markets report.

Meanwhile, on the paper currency markets, the dollar fell slightly yesterday because of the recent surge in gold values, but the foreign exchanges were basically calm and steady.

Bank Leumi wins int'l award

For the past 35 years the American economic journal *"Financial World"* has been holding an international contest dealing with annual reports of corporations and enterprises.

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Criteria for excellence were based 75 per cent on the presentation of the data and 25 per cent on graphic layout.

The annual report does not serve only as image builder of the corporation, but also as a reference guide to financial analysts and investments advisers, the journal said.

Dimona Textiles opens with staff of 540

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Dimona Textiles will be formally inaugurated tomorrow.

The company, which employs about 540 persons, is the former Dimona Fibres, which ran into financial difficulties some years ago and went into receivership. It was put up for sale by the receiver last April and was bought by a Swiss group for about IL35m. in September.

Bension Shelemay, director-general of the plant, yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* that the plant spins combed and carded cotton yarn, 75 per cent of which is exported. It also produces diolen cotton blended yarns, acrylic yarns, polyester wool and yarns, all of the latter sold to local weavers.

Shelemay is a British subject, but since he is married to an Israeli "who spoke Hebrew at home", he also learned the language.

SOLAR — Some 1,000 solar collectors have been sold by Miromit of Ashkelon for a plant in Italy which will use them as a roof. The Italian company expended about $500,000 in buying these solar collectors which will heat 220,000 litres of water daily to an average temperature of 30-35 centigrade.

Sharon in Europe to check on sagging farm exports

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — With agricultural exports continuing to drop, Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon yesterday flew to Europe to make an intensive investigation of the export system.

The drop in exports has been felt mainly in vegetables (about 20 per cent), but there are already storm signals of drops in flowers and some fruits too.

Sharon told the Knesset recently that tomatoes intended for Europe had found their way to markets in *Amman and other Arab capitals.* He also said that farmers are not fulfilling their export contracts with Agrexco and that because of lack of working capital and credit they have been selling their crops on the field (known in Arabic as *daman)* to Arab traders who pay spot cash. The present credit squeeze has put some farmers entirely in the hands of these Arab middlemen.

A leader of the moshav movement told *The Post* that *daman* existed before the present crisis, but that now it had reached epidemic proportions. In the past, he said, his call had been for a law that would permit confiscating the land of a farmer who sold *daman*, since the land is national property and by breaking export contracts Israel's reputation abroad is damaged.

This leader adds, however, that such a law with today's credit squeeze would be a dangerous thing. To save the exports he believes the credit taps should be opened a little for the farmers.

Sharon will also check into the wild competition between Agrexco and private flower exporters, which seems to have led to lower prices for Israeli flowers abroad.

The trip had not been announced beforehand and at Sharon's first stop in Germany, at Cologne, officials were taken by surprise. *The Post* has learned that the visit will only be for four or five days. In addition to Germany it will also include England and France.

The minister's party includes his wife, special assistant Eli Landau and his wife, and Reuven Eiland, the managing director of Agrexco.

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1500 Olympic 303 Athens
1505 Monarch 4208 Manchester
1515 Finnair 3183 Helsinki
1540 TWA 800 Washington, New York, Paris
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1610 Monarch 4110 Luton
1620 Laker 3953 Gatwick
1640 El Al 010 New York, Montreal
1650 El Al 386 Rome
1715 Tarom 245 Bucharest
1725 KLM 525 Amsterdam
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1835 Sterling 683 Eilat
1920 El Al 358 Frankfurt
1930 Swissair 336 Geneva, Zurich
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2000 El Al 335 Amsterdam
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2145 El Al 326 Paris, Zurich
2245 El Al 5316 Stansted

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0700 Swissair 333 Zurich
0720 Lufthansa 607 Munich
0730 El Al 385 Rome
0750 Olympic 302 Athens
0810 KLM 526 Amsterdam
0820 El Al 325 Zurich, Paris
0850 British Airways 577 London
0900 El Al 315 London
0920 El Al 337 Amsterdam
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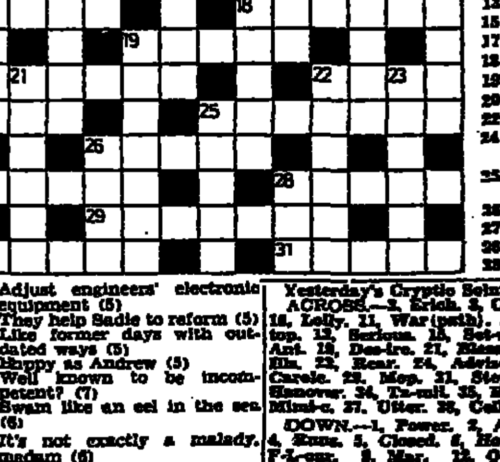
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CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
1 Height of the wicket? (5)
6 Bad lots among the criminal classes (5)
9 Where pigment is the wrong grub? (7)
10 Much enjoyed gossip about Al (5)
11 A shot to rue? (5)
12 A show for the listener to examine afresh (5)
13 Extinguisher! (7)
15 One and the same fuss (3)
17 Love and kiss with some fervour at the rustic fence (4)
18 Servant taking the meal in (6)
19 Firm refusal to pay spot cash? (5)
20 He may be a voter for the Right (6)
22 Measure out some tea at half time (4)
24 Still in the money, etc (3)
25 Worker in a star turn (7)
26 Just the girl to hiss at a friend? (5)
27 Use many a branch to get up a tree (5)
28 Dirty sort of worm! (5)
29 Hold Dan to be a man of experience (3, 4)
30 Saw Ada at the back of the stage (5)
31 Fading and dingy, perhaps (5)

DOWN
2 Stuck, being shiftless! (2, 1, 3)
3 Drink after drink (6)
4 Is obliged to be a bit hasty (3)
5 Acting Buddy (5)
6 Just the fish to form shoals? (7)
7 Montague's trouble (4)
8 Angled for a girl (6)
12 Speedy winner in a famous car (5)
13 Not too old for a bit of duty (5)
14 Adjust engineers' electronic equipment (5)
15 They help Sadie to reform (5)
16 Like former days with outdated ways (5)
18 Happy as Andrew (5)
19 Well known to be incompetent? (7)
21 Swam like an eel in the sea (6)
22 It's not exactly a malady, madam (6)
23 It's colourful and characteristically clannish (6)
25 Goodbye Hawaii! (5)
26 A bad atmosphere (4)
28 Objective now reached (3)

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
1 Pursue (5)
6 Obligations (5)
9 Permitted (7)
10 Protective garment (5)
11 Intended (5)
12 Criminal (5)
13 Uncovers (7)
15 Zodiac sign (3)
17 Dry (4)
18 Large streams (6)
19 Loft (5)
20 Uses up (6)
22 Certain (4)
24 Organ of hearing (3)
25 One making purchases (7)
26 Power (5)
27 Step (5)
28 Get up (5)
29 Fail to do (7)
30 Encourages (5)
31 Binding (5)

DOWN
2 Picnic basket (6)
3 Fired (6)
4 Moose (3)
5 Manages (5)
6 Devilish (7)
7 Paradise (4)
8 Pot mender (6)
12 Apartments (5)
13 Elevate (5)
14 Adder (5)
15 Abate (3, 2)
16 Willow (5)
18 Correct (5)
19 Thinks highly of (7)
21 Clergyman (6)
22 Athletic (6)
23 Motive (6)
25 Cartridge (5)
26 Fit (4)
28 Perform (3)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution
ACROSS.—1, Erich. 3, Come-t. 10, Lolly. 11, War(path). 12, On top. 13, Serious. 15, Set-up. 18, Ant. 19, Des-ire. 21, Blessed. 22, Elk. 23, Rear. 24, Adviser. 26, Carole. 29, Mop. 31, Steps. 32, Hanover. 34, Tu-mult. 35, Hat. 36, Mimi-c. 37, Utter. 38, Cells.
DOWN.—1, Power. 2, Acrials. 4, Runs. 5, Closed. 6, Hopes. 7, F-l-our. 8, Mar. 12, Outside. 14, One. 16, Tiger(tiger). 17, Pearl. 19, Decimal. 20, Discs. 21, Blare. 23, Re-ports. 24, Alsace. 25, Son. 27, At-ti-c. 28, Optic. 30, Peter. 32, Hill. 33, Vat.

Yesterday's Easy Solution
ACROSS.—1, Small. 8, Love[illegible] 10, Ocean. 11, Ban. 12, Step[illegible] 13, Artists. 15, Kerbs. 16, Al[illegible] 19, Resist. 21, Altered. 22, [illegible] 23, Deep. 24, Uttered. 26, Cr[illegible] 29, Cup. 31, Kinds. 32, At[illegible] 34, Items. 35, Ire. 36, Parts[illegible] Event. 38, Trunk.
DOWN.—1, Cobra. 2, Dent[illegible] 4, Mate. 5, Locked. 6, Lope[illegible] Herbs. 9, Vat. 12, Streets[illegible] Sit. 16, Riled. 17, Stops[illegible] Rejects. 20, Smack. 21, A[illegible] 23, Deprive. 24, Ulster. 25, [illegible] 27, Rival. 28, Edict. 30, Bo[illegible] 33, Amen. 35, Arc.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW

Survey foresees further drop in orders, sales, employment

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — December was a bad month for the country's commercial life — and January promises to be worse, according to a survey just published by the Federation of Chambers of Commerce. Some 152 firms in 18 main fields of activity (such as tiles, car spare parts, office mechanization and consumer goods) were included in the survey.

The federation states that in December — as a result of the tight credit policy instituted by Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz — there was a definite slow-down in economic activity. There was a 20 per cent fall in sales as well as a 20 to 25 per cent drop in new orders placed by firms. Several hundred workers were discharged and at the same time goods ordered from abroad are continuing to pile up in bonded warehouses at the ports because the owners lack the funds to pay customs duties.

Moreover, due to the high rate of inflation and the fact that taxes are imposed on profits due to inflation, not on "real" profits, the profits of many firms have fallen sharply. Business concerns are finding it hard to find revolving credit due to the credit squeeze.

"Continuation of the squeeze will bring about a further decline in commercial activity," the report says. It adds that the practice of imposing taxes on inflationary profits as if they were true profits, will force many of the firms to face a decision of closing down.

Some hundred firms may close down due to the credit shortage and as a result, workers will be discharged at an increasing pace, until perhaps some 12,000 persons will be out of work.

Tax relief for ex-soldiers ready to work in industry

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Men and women who decide to work in industry after completing their army service should be exempt from income tax, recommends a report just released, which deals with ways of attracting workers to industry.

The report was written by an interministerial committee headed by Labour Ministry director-general Israel Goralnik and composed of representatives of the Manufacturers Association and the treasury, and experts on employment. It recommended that newly-released soldiers should pay no income tax in their first year of industrial employment, 50 per cent in their second year and 75 per cent in their third year. The state should also fully subsidize their vocational studies and provide them with a substantial loan.

The report recommends further that public service workers moving to industry be subsidised for up to a year for vocational retraining. They should also receive wages at their new place of employment at least equal to their previous wage, the government making up the difference. The committee suggested that such workers receive a standing loan, convertible to a grant if they remain in industry for four years.

Pension and seniority rights should be preserved in full, the report says.

For women entering industry the government should contribute towards the cost in day care centres for children up to five.

The committee, appointed by Labour Minister Israel Katz last November, recommended that the National Insurance Institute increase immediately its subsidy to vocational re-training schemes. It also proposed that the law be changed to allow a full 25 per cent of the money paid to the Institute for unemployment insurance to go towards vocational re-training.

Shares advance on rising turnover

Market report

By Joseph Morgenstern

TEL AVIV. — The share market yesterday extended the advance which has been going on since the beginning of the new calendar year, as gains encompassed all sectors of trading. Indications of a possible, though limited, return of the public to the equity market was felt, as turnover rose to IL94.6m.

Those investors who are now entering the market are betting that there will be others who will follow and take advantage of the current low price/earnings ratios shown by quality shares. Some shares whose p/e ratios are in the order of 5 or less, include Tefahot, Paper Mills, Development and Mortgage, Sahar, Electra and Polgat.

The index-linked bond market also put in a good session as gains of up to one per cent were felt in most sectors. The only exception were the 6.5 per cent Defence Loans, which retreated by as much as 1.5 per cent. Turnover in bonds was a modest IL84.8m.

The Israel pound was devalued by 20 agorot to the American dollar.

IDB and FIBI shares led a moderately rising commercial bank group with gains of 4 points each. Hapoalim and Leumi advanced by 3. Mizrahi gained 2 while Union Bank remained unchanged.

Mortgage and Development shares put in a good performance, as the whole sector showed gains. The M & D shares jumped by a full 6 per cent. Carmel shares were "buyers only". Shilton gained 8 points, to 88.

Insurance issues continued to be in vogue. Yardenia IL5 had the best percentage gain, as the shares moved higher by more than 8 per cent.

Delek (B) was "buyers only". Israel Electric rose by 15, to 380. Lighterage IL1 and IL5 shares joined the select "buyers only" group.

Gains of 3-4 per cent predominated in a rising land development and real estate group. Pri Or was the best gainer, with a rise of 5.9 per cent, to 810.

Industrials were also in good fettle. Dubek (B) gained 30 points for a 9.3 per cent rise. Molett gained more than 5 per cent. Rises of up to 5 per cent were not uncommon in other groups.

Clal Real Estate was by far the best performer during yesterday's session as the shares rose by no less than 14.4 per cent, to 135.5. Clal Trade added 8.3 per cent in an upward moving investment company share group.

U.S. plans to turn corn embargoed from sale to Soviets into gasohol

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Government has prepared a new programme designed to lead to the production of 500 million gallons of gasohol this year, a top State Department official said Sunday.

Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher, speaking on television (CBS' "Face the Nation") said that the programme will use the equivalent of 5 million tons of corn.

Christopher said this is the type of programme which the administration can undertake to compensate for the partial grain embargo imposed by President Carter on the Soviet Union. Carter's decision affects the sale of 17 million tons of grain to the Soviets.

Gasohol is a mixture of about 90 per cent petrol and 10 per cent alcohol, which is an octane booster. One of the main advantages of gasohol is that it can be used as a substitute for high test unleaded petrol.

Calling all the great chefs of Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chefs in hotels, restaurants, hospitals, schools, rest homes, public institutions and even the IDF are being asked this month to cook up the perfect menu — Israel-style. Announcing the competition this week, the tourist administration of the Industry, Trade and Tourism Ministry said the aim is to encourage the development of an Israeli cuisine, to improve the self-image of local chefs and to spur the use of local products in creative cooking.

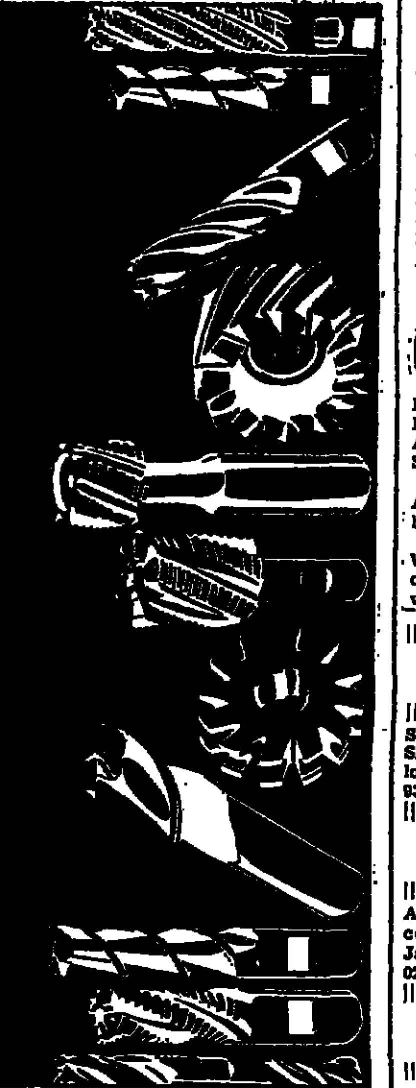
Five of the best menus will be selected next month for final judging to find Israel's leading chef and kitchen team. Menus must be for between five and seven courses for six diners. They must observe the requirements of kashrut and may be entirely vegetarian. The use of imported foods is banned, and the cost of the menu will be taken into account by the judges.

The Tadmor Hotel chef, cooking a demonstration menu in Jerusalem this week, produced a four-course meal whose ingredients cost IL65 per person. (This did not include drinks and the *petits fours* served with coffee.) All ingredients were local.

FUND. — Scholarships totalling IL35,000 were recently distributed to 17 students by the "Assulin Fund," set up jointly by the Assulin family of Yad Eliahu, which lost two members of its family — Eliyahu and Abraham — in the Yom Kippur War, and the Israel Development and Mortgage bank.

CAPS — The Tabori concern, which makes soft drinks, is investing IL20m. in building a plant to make plastic caps. The plant will be erected in Pardess Hanna.

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Sterling	80.7032	80.1187
French Fr.	8.9542	8.8894
Dutch Fl.	19.0047	18.8671
Austrian Sch.	2.9210	2.8999
Swedish Kr.	8.6882	8.6232
Danish Kr.	6.7175	6.6688
Norwegian Kr.	7.3188	7.2667
Finnish M.	9.7488	9.6782
Canadian $	30.7645	30.5417
Rand	43.4246	43.1101
Australian $	39.9567	39.6673
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IDB B	729.0	12.5	+4.0
IDB prf A	621.0	265.4	+4.0
IDB op 4	942.0	113.0	+10.0
IDB op 5	540.0	215.3	n.c.
IDB op 6	420.0	255.6	+6.0
Union	605.0	45.3	n.c.
Union op	910.0	4.7	+10.0
Union op 3	441.0	132.5	+5.0
Union op 4	208.0	229.6	n.c.
Union 18%sc	242.0	16.1	n.c.
Union 18%sc5	155.0	15.1	n.c.
Discount	935.0	15.0	+6.0
Discount A	933.0	35.0	+6.0
Discount A5%sc	244.0	125.6	−1.0
Mizrahi r	402.0	757.5	+1.0
Mizrahi b	402.0	45.4	+2.0
Mizr op 1	1150.0	3.9	+10.0
Mizr op 2	945.0	12.5	+10.0
Mizr op 3	413.0	136.1	−3.0
Mizr op 4	364.0	144.5	+3.0
Mizr 15%sc2	750.0	2.7	n.c.
Mizr 20%sc4	355.0	25.5	n.c.
Mizr 19%sc5	302.0	—	+2.0
Mizr 18%sc6	246.0	37.6	n.c.
Mizr sc7	217.0	28.4	n.c.
Hapoalim prf	790.0	10.3	+10.0
Hapoalim r	770.0	965.6	+3.0
Hapoalim b	770.0	113.6	+3.0
Hap 50%div	765.0	116.7	+3.0
Hap op 3	1550.0	.5	+20.0
Hap op 2	1610.0	2.0	−20.0
Hap op 4	980.0	11.9	+10.0
Hap op 5	770.0	45.5	−2.0
Hap op 7	440.0	207.9	+6.0
Hap op 9	673.0	149.2	+8.0
Hap 10%sc1	740.0	.9	n.c.
Hap 18%sc8	327.0	139.0	+1.0
Hap 18%sc8	224.0	247.0	n.c.
General	—	—	—
General 18%sc4	—	—	—
Leumi	641.0	434.1	+3.0
Leumi op 1	1510.0	20.0	+10.0
Leumi op 2	880.0	1,026.0	+4.0
Leumi op 4	403.0	278.6	+3.0
Leumi 18%sc6	444.0	36.0	+1.0
Leumi 18%sc7	22.6-2.0		
Leumi 18%sc8	253.0	587.7	n.c.
OHH r	586.0	2.7	+3.0
OHH b	588.0	—	+3.0
Internat 6%sc1	244.0	565.9	+2.0
FIBI	512.0	379.8	+4.0
Mortgage Banks			
Gen Mtg r	444.0	8.0	+2.0
GMg b	451.0	6.8	+2.0
GenMg op 114	860.0	—	—
GenMg op 117	216.0	153.0	+6.0
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Dev&Mg op 88	161.0	525.0	+14.0
Dev&Mg op 95	76.0	366.0	+8.0
Dev&Mg 18%db87	113.0	112.6	+7.0
Dev&Mg 18%db94	76.0	125.0	+5.0
HousMtg r	405.0	34.5	+1.0
HousMtg b	430.0	4.0	+1.0
HousMg op 1	482.0	16.9	n.c.
HousMg op 2	357.0	49.0	+1.0
Tefahot prf r	285.0	276.6	+14.0
Tefahot prf b	293.0	258.0	+9.0
Tefahot r	275.0	485.4	+4.0
Tefahot b	300.0	391.7	n.c.
Merav	362.0	25.0	+1.0
Merav op 1	272.0	75.7	n.c.
Specialized Financials			
Shilton r	80.0	46.1	n.c.
Shilton b	88.0	94.0	+8.0
Shilton opA	50.0	119.4	n.c.
Shilton opB	56.0	30.0	+.5
Shilton 18%db1	67.0	65.0	+2.0
Shilton 18%db2	c55.5	100.0	n.c.
OtzLatasiya r	420.0	.2	+2.0
OtzLatasiya b	422.0	.3	+2.0
Ampal	552.0	—	—
AgricultureA	d84.0	36.2	+4.0
IndDev prf	d105.0	7.5	n.c.
Insurance			
Aryeh	370.0	93.6	+10.0
Aryeh op	525.0	2.1	+10.0
Aryeh sc5	126.0	28.3	+6.0
Ararat IL1	145.0	17.7	−9.0
Ararat IL5	94.0	137.7	+3.0
Hassneh r	314.0	233.3	n.c.
Hassneh b	320.0	178.8	+1.0
Hassneh op	162.0	176.0	+19.0
Phoenix IL1	360.0	12.0	+6.0
Phoenix IL5	249.0	12.6	+7.0
Yardenia IL1	135.0	37.4	+6.0
Yardenia IL5	104.5	82.0	+6.0
Sahar r	315.0	56.5	n.c.
Sahar b	328.0	3.6	n.c.
Sahar op	67.0	124.0	+1.0
Sahar 18%db	58.0	60.7	n.c.
Securitas	323.0	306.0	+5.0
Secur op	101.0	202.4	+14.5
Zur r	325.0	35.3	+1.0
Zur b	330.0	5.0	+1.0
Comm,Service &Utilities			
Motor House	453.0	—	—
Delek r	189.5	988.9	+9.0
Delek b	219.0	b.o.	+10.0
Delek op 1	600.0	11.0	+41.0
Delek20%db2	237.0	30.1	+7.0
ColdStorageIL1	640.0	—	—
ColdStorIL10	520.0	43.8	+5.0
ColdStor opA	245.0	82.0	+15.0
CoStor20%db1	—	—	—
Israel Elec	d380.0	93.0	+15.0
LighterageIL1	912.0	b.o.	+43.0
LighterageIL5	491.0	b.o.	+23.0
LighterageIL5 op2	342.0	41.0	+37.0
LighterageIL5 db	231.0	47.0	+21.0
RapaccIL1	306.0	13.3	+1.0
RapaccIL5	276.0	6.6	+1.0
Land,Building, Devel,Citrus			
Azorim			
Azor opA	222.0	62.2	+7.0
Azor20%db1	176.0	43.0	n.c.
Africa-Isr1	93.0	10.0	+1.0
Africa-Isr10	560.0	9.5	+10.0
ILDC r	495.0	25.1	n.c.
ILDC b	dx237.0	687.8	+5.0
ILDCoodiv	dx250.0	55.9	n.c.
ILDC opA	613.0	37.4	+35.0
ILDC opB	306.0	400.0	+4.0
ILDC20%db3	213.0	14.8	+10.0
ILDC20%db4	238.0	240.0	+3.0
SolelBoneh prFA	900.0	6.5	−20.0
SolelBonehprFc	831.0	1.0	−3.0
Prop&Bldg	375.0	205.3	+4.0
PropBld opA	493.0	56.0	+4.0
PropBld opB	140.0	276.0	+5.0
PropBld 15%db4	360.0	22.9	+10.0
PropBld op18%db5	284.0	127.0	+9.0
BaysideIL1	213.0	37.4	+5.0
BaysideIL5	210.0	26.0	+6.0
Ispro	135.0	90.1	+3.0
Ispro 50%d	128.0	b.o.	+6.0
Ispro op1	52.0	107.0	+3.0
Isras	360.0	25.0	+3.0
Mehadrin	1280.0	7.0	n.c.
ICP	1540.0	2.0	−10.0
Neot Aviv	595.0	10.0	+10.0
PriOr	d810.0	6.0	+45.0
Rassco PrF	118.0	40.0	−.5
Rassco	113.0	101.9	n.c.

Industrial			
Urdan IL1	209.0	b.o.	+10.0
Urdan IL5	293.0	9.8	+4.0
Urdan op	100.0	77.9	+5.0
Elbit IL1	185.0	18.0	+3.0
Elbit IL5	186.0	7.5	+5.5
Alliance	1100.0	s.o.	−57.0
Elco 1	259.0	—	−1.0
Elco IL2.5 r	119.0	40.0	+2.5
Elco IL2.5 b	118.0	58.1	+2.0
Elco opA	65.0	10.1	+2.0
Elco20%db1	76.0	39.0	n.c.
Electra IL1	431.0	—	—
Electra IL5	205.0	89.5	+4.0
Electra op2	165.0	62.5	+15.0
Electra16%db	169.5	55.0	+15.0
Electra18%db2	104.5	5.0	+2.0
Elron IL1	—	—	—
Elron IL2	—	—	—
Elron opA	—	—	—
Argaman prf r	179.0	4.1	n.c.
Argaman prf b	189.0	3.0	n.c.
Argaman r	173.0	5.1	n.c.
Argaman b	170.0	13.0	n.c.
AtaB	112.0	47.0	+5.0
AtaC	64.0	439.1	+3.0
Ata opA	26.0	190.4	+1.0
Ata op3	48.0	129.5	+2.0
Ata20%deb2	53.5	82.4	+3.0
Dubek r	330.0	12.3	+10.0
Dubek b	352.0	41.9	+30.0
Fertilizers	138.0	81.0	+7.5
Cables r	106.0	78.0	+7.5
Cables b	97.0	68.0	+4.5
HaifaChem	187.0	110.0	+1.0
HaifaChm op2	118.0	100.9	+5.5
HaifaChm20%db1	100.0	137.0	+4.0
Teva r	350.0	92.4	+11.0
Teva b	621.0	2.0	−11.0
Teva op	241.0	18.9	+2.0
Teva db	84.0	40.0	+3.5
Lodzia IL1	770.0	—	—
Lodzia IL4	250.0	126.4	−1.0
Lodzia op2	49.0	44.0	+2.0
Molett	93.0	46.8	+4.5
Moller	390.0	2.0	+2.0
Phoenicia IL1	460.0	5.5	+19.0
DeadSea	c438.0	b.o.	+21.0
AmIsrPaper	600.0	245.6	+27.0
AmIsr opA	400.0	317.5	+17.0
AmIsr20%db1	238.0	156.0	+3.0
Assis	239.0	28.6	+16.0
Assis20%db1	162.0	35.0	+14.0
Petrochem	88.5	80.5	−.5
Ptrchm opA	66.0	133.8	n.c.
Ptrchm20%db1	53.5	316.9	n.c.
Nechushtan r	513.0	[illegible]	−27.0
Nechushtan b	599.0	[illegible]	−12.0
Elite	249.0	100.3	+7.0
Elite op3	139.0	10.8	+3.0
Elite20%cnv sb2	101.0	81.0	+1.5
Arad	448.0	9.0	+1.0
Polgat IL1r	480.0	9.0	+5.0
Polgat IL5r	410.0	25.0	+3.0
Polgat op	155.0	49.7	+10.0
Polygon	147.0	64.5	+2.0
Rim IL1	746.0	1.4	−27.0
Rim IL4	376.0	8.0	n.c.
Shemen b	710.0	3.0	+15.0
Taal r	130.0	80.0	+5.0
Taal b	146.0	33.0	+8.0
Taal op	67.0	30.8	+1.0
Frutarom	143.0	54.6	+7.0
Invest&Holding Companies			
Elgar r	660.0	2.2	n.c.
Elgar b	639.0	3.5	−33.0
Ellern r	860.0	20.7	+10.0
Ellern b	860.0	1.0	n.c.
Amissar	95.0	64.1	+5.0
Amissar op	79.0	28.0	+8.5
CntrlTrade	1344.0	1.0	+50.0
InvofPaz r	420.0	15.3	+10.0
InvofPaz b	420.0	7.0	n.c.
WolfsonIL1	735.0	10.0	+62.0
WolfsonIL10 r	249.0	17.0	n.c.
WolfsonIL10 b	249.0	35.0	n.c.
Ampa	485.0	14.3	n.c.
DscInv r	240.0	440.7	+12.0
DscInv b	240.0	209.0	+10.0
DscInv opA	296.0	10.0	+5.0
DscInv opB	106.0	555.0	+11.0
DscInv10%db72	257.0	—	—
DscInv18%db130	170.0	42.1	+4.0
DscInv18%db135	87.0	604.2	+8.0
Hap'ImInv r	507.0	99.4	+1.0
HapInv b	519.0	6.5	+1.0
HapInv op1	365.0	91.0	+12.0
LeumiInv	442.0	77.5	+4.0
JrdnExplo	128.0	65.8	+3.5
JrdnExplo op	390.0	2.0	n.c.
JrdnExplo op2	68.5	.1	−3.5
JrdnExplo op3	48.0	39.3	n.c.
MizrahiInv r	510.0	25.0	+10.0
MizrahiInv b	510.0	25.0	+10.0
Mizrahi18%db48	294.0	—	—
Hassuta	235.0	107.0	+18.0
Hassuta opA	174.0	130.6	+20.0
Hassuta20%db1	93.0	31.0	+4.0
ExprtInv r	614.0	2.0	+12.0
ExprtInv b	622.0	2.0	+12.0
KoorInd	3775.0	—	−75.0
ClalRlEst	135.5	469.8	+17.0
ClalREs opA	160.0	b.o.	+16.0
ClalREs opB	49.5	189.6	n.c.
ClalREs20%db1	113.0	b.o.	+5.0
Clal	517.0	18.2	n.c.
ClalInd	232.0	298.8	n.c.
ClalInd sc op	435.0	127.0	+22.0
ClalInd op cert	236.0	182.0	+16.0
ClalInd20%db5	199.5	44.0	+1.0
Landeco	140.0	128.7	+8.0
OzInv	c320.0	39.0	+7.0
OzInv10%db	c268.0	—	—
PamaInv	230.0	9.0	n.c.
Pama 25%d	236.0	—	—
PiryionInv	110.0	294.4	+3.0
Fuel&Explo.			
OilExploPaz	d120.0	391.2	+3.0
Naphtha	576.0	14.1	+17.0
Lapidot r	1049.0	9.0	+80.0
Lapidot b	1400.0	2.0	+66.0
SharesTradedIn ForeignCurrency			
Adanim	522.0	.3	+20.0
Agric prfC	d443.0	—	+10.0
IndDev prfB	—	—	—
IndDevprfC	d957.0	.7	+35.0
IndDevCC	d600.0	—	—
IndDevCC1	d590.0	b.o.	+27.0
IndDevD	d740.0	—	—
TouristInd	d523.0	—	—
UnicoA r	115.5	18.0	+3.0
UnicoA b	116.5	b.o.	+5.5
Gazit	116.5	.5	−1.0

Most active shares

IDB	729	2356.0	+.40
Hapoalim R	770	965.8	+3.0
Leumi	641	434.1	+3.0
Volume	Jan. 7	Jan. 6	
Shares traded:	IL94.6m.	(IL69.7m.)	
Convertibles:	IL8.5m.	(IL9.6m.)	
Bonds:	IL84.8m.	(IL134.9m.)	

General share index, up 0.82%, to 168.73.

Abbreviations:

s.o.	sellers only	n.c.	no change
b.o.	buyers only	r	registered
d	without dividend	b	bearer
c	without coupon	prf	preferred
x	without bonus	op	option
z	without rights	conv	convertible
s.c.	subordinated capital notes		

These stock prices are unofficial.

New York Stock Exchange

Closing prices Jan. 7

New York Stock Exchange
Dow Jones Industrial Average:
832.25 up, 3.41
Volume: 38,650,000

		Change
Allied Chemical	46⅜	—⅛
Asa Ltd.	45⅝	+1
Avco	28¾	+⅛
Boeing	57¼	+2⅜
Burroughs	75¼	—⅜
Bell & Howell	22¾	+¾
Bally Manufacturing	33½	—½
Bausch and Lomb	37⅝	—⅞
Control Data	52¾	—¼
Curtiss Wright	22⅛	+⅜
Dow Chemical	31	+⅜
Eastman Kodak	46⅜	—⅜
Ford Motor	31½	n.c.
General Dynamics	68⅝	+1¼
Gulf & Western	17⅝	+⅛
Holiday Inns	16¾	—¼
Honeywell	80⅝	+⅛
Hilton Hotels	29⅝	—⅜
IBM	62¾	—⅞
Lockheed	40⅝	+2¼
Litton Ind.	46⅞	+2⅜
LTV	10¾	+1
McDonnell Douglas	41	+2⅛
Merrill Lynch	19¼	n.c.
MGM	21½	—⅛
Motorola	49⅜	+⅜
NCR	67¾	—⅛
Natomas	28⅝	+1⅛
National Semiconductor	34⅜	+1⅜
Occidental Petroleum	25⅛	—1⅛
Penn Central	22⅛	—¼
Pan American Airways	5⅝	—⅛
Polaroid	25⅝	—⅜
RCA	22¼	—¼
Revlon	44	n.c.
Raytheon	72⅝	+4⅝
Sears Roebuck	18	—¼
Sperry Rand	48⅝	n.c.
Syntex	41⅞	+⅝
American Tel & Tel	51⅜	—⅛
Telex	3⅞	n.c.
Teledyne	138	+4½
Tyco Laboratories	30¼	+1⅜
UAL	22	+¼
Union Carbide	41⅝	+⅜
UV Industries	28¼	n.c.
Western Union	20⅝	—¼
Westinghouse Electric	20½	+½
U.S. Steel	18	—⅛
Xerox	59	—⅛
Exxon	52⅝	—⅛
Zenith Radio	9½	—⅛
American Exchange		
Amer Isr Paper Mills	2½	—¼
Etz Lavud	4⅝	n.c.
Houston Oil and Minerals.	23⅝	+¼
OTC List		
Elscint	5⅝	6
IDB Ordinary	12½	13
IDB Pfd.	3⅝	4⅛

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Representative bond prices

	Price	
6.5% Defence loan		
70 (Ayin)	1390.0	—
75 (Ayin Heh)	1465.0	—20.0
81 (Peh Aleph)	1356.0	—15.0
90 (Tzadi)	1293.0	—27.0
4% Gov't development		
Group 1. Yield:	+0.55	
3001	1106.0	+9.3
3007	1016.8	+9.3
Group 5. Yield:	+0.85	
3020	752.7	+3.5
3025	730.8	+3.6
Defence loan 69.		
9	—	—
14 (Mem Dalet)	—	—
4% Gov't (90% C-o-L)		
Group 22. Yield:	+1.51	
3101	547.8	+4.5
3106	489.0	+4.2
Group 24. Yield:	+1.62	
3110	453.5	+.3
3115	428.2	+.3
4% Gov't (80% C-o-L)		
Group 42. Yield:	+1.58	
3210	357.4	+1.4
3206	346.6	+1.4
6% Gov't (80% C-o-L)		
Group 52. Yield:	+1.44	
3501	318.7	+1.3
3504	279.4	+1.2
7% Gov't (80% C-o-L)		
Group 62. Yield:	+1.45	
3522	279.7	+.9
3526	259.4	+.9
Group 66. Yield:	+1.75	
3534	217.1	n.c.
3541	197.3	n.c.
Group 68. Yield:	+1.75	
3546	190.3	+.5
3551	180.1	+.6
Group 70. Yield:	+1.74	
3554	165.8	n.c.
3557	158.3	n.c.
Gov't dble-opt linked		
2001	265.0	n.c.
2015	227.2	—
2033	166.6	+1.0
Dollar denom bonds		
Hollis 15	102.2	n.c.
Hollis 20	96.1	+2.4
Bonds 100% linked to foreign currency		
5.5% Gov't 6028	170.0	+4.0
6% Isr. Electric Corp. B	1080.0	—22.0
5% Dead Sea Works	1050.0	+12.0
Bonds 7½% linked to foreign currency		
6003	197.0	—

Bank of Israel exchange rates

Currency	
U.S. dollar	35.7717
British sterling	80.3790
German mark	20.9145
French franc	8.9178
Dutch guilder	18.9028
Swiss franc	22.6762
Swedish krone	8.6583
Norwegian krone	7.2847
Danish krone	6.6848
Finnish mark	9.7140
Canadian dollar	30.6546
Australian dollar	39.8300
South African rand	43.2659
Belgian franc (10)	12.8433
Austrian schilling (10)	29.0527
Italian lire (1,000)	4.4620
Japanese yen (100)	15.3034
Jordanian dinar	120.55
Lebanese lira	10.92

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Religious anti-Zionism

THE DELIBERATE slap in the face administered to all of Israel by Agudat Yisrael functionaries who declared that President Yitzhak Navon would not be invited to the movement's Great Assembly — the *Knessiya Gedola* — because its anti-Zionist rabbinical sages could not be expected to rise in his presence, should come as a timely reminder of Agudat Yisrael's place in Israel.

Agudat Yisrael was founded as an organization of ultra-orthodox Jewry for the purpose of fighting Jewish secularism and one of its primary expressions: Zionism. Abroad, and especially in pre-Holocaust Poland, it had a substantial following.

In the pre-independence Jewish *Yishuv* it represented the marginal Old Yishuv which has always kept aloof from the Zionist consensus around which modern Israel was built. Following Israel's independence its ranks were augmented by a small stream of ultra-orthodox immigrants. To judge by its stable electoral results, the Aguda can be said to represent about four per cent of Israel's population.

Following a short-lived "aberration" when it was part of Israel's first government up to 1950, the Aguda has steadfastly *rejected political blandishments to join in the government* coalitions of "apostates." The relationship of Labour governments with Aguda was a highly pragmatic one, periodically trading monetary benefits for its 4-5 Knesset votes.

Agudat Yisrael has never renounced its self-declared anti-Zionist label. It is one of the ironies of Israeli politics that the self-proclaimed super-patriots of Prime Minister Begin's Herut should have been instrumental in transforming a situation of cynical, but still tolerable political give-and-take, into one of legitimation of the anti-Zionism the Aguda professes.

Even more egregious than the surrender to the Aguda on the issue of the wholesale freeing of women from military service has been the continued, unsupervised, pumping of hundreds of millions of pounds in state budgets to Agudat Yisrael's educational institutions.

For all the lip service that our politicians pay to the importance of education, they have never really paid attention to the anomaly of committed Zionist governments providing large-scale funding for a school system whose primary purpose is the raising of new generations which will stand in opposition to the Zionist consensus — both secular and religious — on which this country is built.

It would be well if on the occasion of the Aguda's public reassertion of its basic anti-Zionism, both coalition and opposition leaders reassess their attitude towards that party.

A new chance for Indira

THE ORDERLY election through which Indira Gandhi and the Congress Party have been swept back to power in India after two and a half years in the political desert is first and foremost a reaffirmation of India's position as the world's most populous working electoral democracy.

Mrs. Gandhi and the Congress Party which she heads were voted back into power because the recklessness and internal squabbling of the Janata coalition which unseated her proved sufficiently disturbing to erase the sorry memories of her rule. The basic corruption of the last Congress Party Government and the nepotism and high-handedness of Mrs. Gandhi herself, as Prime Minister, seem a lesser evil to India's masses.

The fact that Mrs. Gandhi during her last years in power had instituted anti-democratic measures aimed primarily against India's thin stratum of European educated intellectuals was never taken too seriously by the masses of India's voters. Their main problem has always been the constant threat of hunger and not the niceties of Western style democratic practice.

The Janata coalition which came together for the main purpose of unseating Mrs. Gandhi and her Congress followers never did succeed in coming to grips with India's main problems and in providing effective government. There is reason to doubt whether Mrs. Gandhi will do a better job on that score.

What she can be expected to evince is a surer hand in providing an emotionally charismatic leadership to India's millions.

Mrs. Gandhi's restoration to power in an Indian sub-continent which suddenly finds itself on the very edge of the scene of Soviet aggression will inject a new element into the calculations of the Western powers who are mobilizing to react to that aggression in Afghanistan.

In the past, Gandhi governments were known for their pronounced pro-Soviet proclivities. It is yet to be seen whether Mrs. Gandhi will continue in that mold with the Russian bear at her doorstep.

POSTSCRIPTS

WE STILL CAN'T tell if the cottage cheese is fresh, but a tiny plastic capsule which shows by changing colour if frozen goods accidentally thaw on their way to the shopper won the grand prix at Geneva's annual International Exhibition of Inventions recently.

The inventor, Franco Sala, 40, of Italy, said the capsule could be fitted into packages of frozen food or pharmaceuticals, and set to change colour at any temperature between zero and minus 40 degrees centigrade.

A shopper could thus see immediately whether the product had been kept at the required temperature, he said.

French inventor Jerome Frechou won the prize of the Franco-Swiss Chamber of Commerce and Industry for a machine that automatically shells hard-boiled eggs.

A SCHOOL for parents has been opened by Haifa University's Education School. Conceived as a demonstration project, the school's purpose is to teach parents how to bring up their children, how to cope with their learning and behaviour problems at home and at school, and how to improve communication and relations with them.

"In our society many parents are unaware of the pressures they exert on their children and of the tensions that result from them. The symptoms of these tensions are stammering, a reduced learning ability, aggressive behaviour, among others," the Education School spokesman explained.

The one year course, in which 25 families have enrolled, will be held once a fortnight, between 5 and 8 p.m. At each session a team of psychologists will discuss the problems of one family and discuss subjects like anxiety, stress, expectations and guilt feelings in children and parents, and ways of dealing with them in everyday life. The parents will hear lectures on human relations in the family, sometimes in small groups and in the presence of their children.

"Parents will have to learn the unsavoury fact that where there are problem children, there are problem parents," a psychologist commented. *Y.A.*

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BACK FROM THE BRINK

MOSHE SHARON says there are dangers inherent in the autonomy scheme and notes that Israel still has time to reconsider or even withdraw it altogether.

ON JANUARY 8, Premier Menahem Begin was told that the U.S. concept of autonomy for the Arabs of the West Bank and Gaza Strip was identical in its key principles with that of Egypt. According to reports, a meeting of the committee of ministers on autonomy, chaired by Mr. Begin, was given an analysis of the positions of Israel, Egypt and the U.S. on the main elements of the autonomy plan. The analysis was prepared by Prof. Ruth Lapidot, the Foreign Ministry's legal adviser.

Among other things, the Prime Minister and other ministers concerned with autonomy, were told that in the Egyptian and American views the proposed autonomy council, which Mr. Begin would like to call "administrative," will be a quasi-parliamentary body which will take the Palestinian Arabs part of the way along the road to self-determination. It will also have legislative powers.

In other words, both the Americans and the Egyptians are no longer waiting for the five-year transitional period of autonomy; they would prefer to decide now on the final status of territories.

Both the U.S. and Egypt regard the autonomy plan simply as a means of terminating any Israeli authority in the "territories." With minor differences in style, both countries agree that as far as autonomy is concerned, the Arabs of East Jerusalem are no different from the Arabs of the West Bank or Gaza. And as it is well known that Egypt regards Jerusalem as part of the West Bank, U.S.-Egyptian agreement on this point pushes Israel even further into a trap that has been, albeit unintentionally, prepared by the Israeli Government itself.

IT IS rather surprising if this is the first time that Mr. Begin has discussed in detail the positions of the three parties to the autonomy negotiations. But it is alarming if he has heard about the positions for the first time only now.

On August 10 last year, this writer published an article in *The Jerusalem Post* entitled "Sadat's Master Plan" (following two articles on the subject on April 4 and May 17), which contained, *inter alia*, the following observation: "The autonomy plan is a trap with multiple catches. The main catch lies in what each side sees as the final outcome of the whole affair. The visions of Egypt and the U.S. — which are in fact identical — see at the end of the road a self-governing Palestinian political entity with legislative and executive powers, which will decide whether to become an independent state or semi-independent part of an existing Arab state."

One does not have to be a great expert to understand that Egyptian policy is aimed at stripping Israel of all the tangible achievements gained in the Six Day War. And the Egyptian political strategists could never have dreamed that this would be accomplished so easily — or that Israel itself would provide them with the full backing of the U.S. by seriously suggesting a plan that has so many loopholes and is so ambiguous.

BY HASTILY OFFERING total withdrawal from Sinai — against the better advice even of former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, the government agreed to two extremely dangerous principles in its relations with its neighbouring Arab states.

Firstly, it agreed that an aggressor does not have to pay for its aggression; which means that although Egypt headed a coalition of Arab states that sought to destroy Israel on June 5, 1967, the sanctity of the Palestine-Sinai border established in 1906 by two British gunboats, has not been violated.

Secondly, Israel has accepted the precedent that Israeli settlements beyond the 1949 borders are purely transient.

These two principles — and the autonomy plan, in which Egypt has gladly assumed the role of a major partner — ensure the success of the first stage of the Egyptian plan: pushing Israel back to the old armistice lines.

The winning of U.S. support for its cause had been a major problem for Egyptian political strategists. While Israel was harping on the theme that it was "the only true democracy in the area," Egypt was able to convince the Americans that it had moved over completely to the Western bloc and could be a major factor, even a cornerstone, in consolidating U.S. interests in the Arab world. What Egypt asked was "political and material evenhandedness."

In this day and age, with the capitulation of Western democracies to totalitarian impudence and terror, Israel's value as a democracy has ceased to be of great importance. The Western *world needs oil*, and it couldn't care less if it has to grovel before the most malevolent dictators and legitimize the most blood-thirsty terror organizations in order to get it.

This is the point at which the responsible Government of Israel should have called a *halt; not rush*-ed in with ill-prepared plans and hasty concessions.

The autonomy plan was prepared and suggested to Jimmy Carter and Anwar Sadat without serious consideration of all its implications; without even a preliminary consideration of the possible positions of the other parties concerned. No wonder nobody in the Israeli government bothered to consider the possibility that the plan provides an excellent opportunity for the U.S. to support Egypt in particular and the Arabs in general in their aim of returning the Middle East to its pre-1967 shape.

THE PRINCIPLES established by the ceding of Sinai to Egypt — the sanctity of the old international border and the temporary nature of Jewish settlements — may very likely decide the fate of the Golan Heights when Syria decides to enter negotiations. In the same way the autonomy plan has decided the fate of western Palestine without even answering Israel's minimal requirements, no matter which Arab power decides to take over.

It is still not too late to stop the process. The Palestinian Arabs themselves were the reason the autonomy plan was suggested in the first place. If they do not want it, Israel should feel free to review the whole autonomy scheme, and even withdraw it altogether.

If this, unhappily, triggers a diplomatic crisis it should happen now rather than after all of Sinai has been passed back to Egyptian control.

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Dry Bones



READERS' LETTERS

FREE MILK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — This morning's news brought to my attention that the price of milk and milk products will rise further. While I'm in favour of the abolition of subsidies, since in the real world there is no such thing as a "free lunch," I fear that perhaps those who need it the most will suffer the most, namely, our schoolchildren.

The Ministries of Health, Agriculture, and Education should combine forces to ensure Israeli schoolchildren at least one cup of milk at subsidized prices in school at their 10 o'clock snack break each day. Thus, those who need milk most will be sure to receive a minimal amount at minimal costs.

NEAL ROTHNER

Petah Tikva.

ARTHUR WASKOW

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Arthur Waskow had no cause to be upset when he was classified with "enemies of Israel" by Shmuel Katz (December 14).

However, when one of the organizers of that American Peace Now advertisement is apologetic about the inclusion of Waskow's name in the petition (Michael Frishberg, December 24), then it may be time to straighten the record.

In *The Jerusalem Post* of August 18, 1978, you published an article, "Plan for the Palestinians," by Arthur I. Waskow, "one of the founders of the defunct Breira movement in the U.S." After reading that article, Mr. Frishberg may agree with me that there is no reason to regret being associated with Waskow. I would even venture to suggest that the great majority of the Knesset, with the possible exception of the fringes who voted against the Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty, would support a plan such as the one proposed by Arthur Waskow.

ZEEV RAPHAEL

Haifa.

BEIT HAKEREM WADI

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We wonder why no one has remarked on the destruction of the city-owned wadi between Beit Hakerem and the Hebrew University. We know city officials are aware of the illegal dumping and road-building by a construction firm, but no one has bothered to take measures against the persons responsible.

Mayor Kollek and city officials, where are you?

HELEN LEVY

Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem Municipality replies:

The work in the Beit Hakerem wadi is connected with the second stage of building the Ort college, which is located on the Hebrew University campus and will contribute a great deal to the expansion of technological education in Jerusalem.

To our great regret, the University refuses to allow traffic to the authorized construction site to pass through the campus and therefore the contractors are forced to use the dirt road through the wadi.

I wish to point out that, according to the terms of the construction permit, the Ort management must carry out development and improvement work on the site once the building is finished, and this will prevent any disfigurement of the area.

As to the temporary road, it is road No. 4 in the authorized Jerusalem master plan and Ms. Levy can rest assured that the building and the temporary road do not conflict with overall planning in the area.

The Building Supervision Department is aware of the damage caused by work at the ORT building site and will see to it that it is repaired once the work is completed.

RAFI DAVARA,
MUNICIPAL SPOKESMAN
Jerusalem.

THEODORE MANN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — My letter of December 24 appears to place Theodore Mann at the New Outlook conference, which he did not attend. His comments supporting Peace Now positions were made at the General Assembly of Jewish Federations in Montreal.

DAVID GILD

Jerusalem.

EL AL IMPROVING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — A businessman, whose travel takes him to Europe at least once a month, lately refused outright to fly with El Al as he could not afford to miss his appointments. *About six weeks ago he had no* choice but to fly El Al. However, he insisted on returning on a foreign airline.

Upon his return, he wondered what had happened to El Al; "The plane left exactly on time. The stewardesses were extremely courteous and helpful. The plane and toilets were clean and for the first time I felt that no one was doing me a favour. So when I had to return, I made it a point to change my flight to El Al. A different crew, but the same treatment again. My hat off to those who have made this change possible."

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